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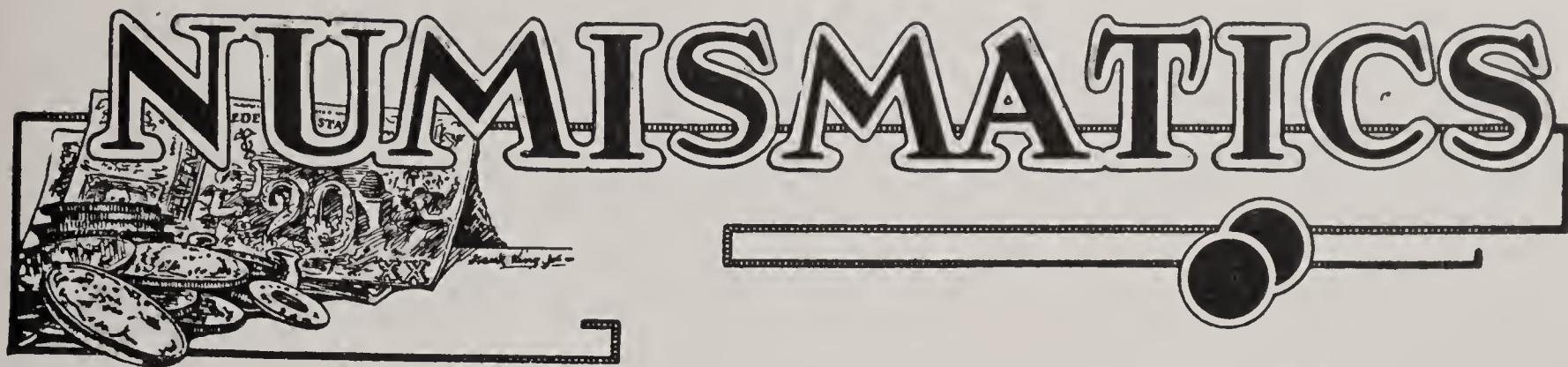
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## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

IF YOU would learn insect-ology, go to your coins. Miss E. Brammel read before an Australian coin club a paper entitled "Singing Insects of Coins." The singing insect which figured in this paper was the cicada or tettix. Illustrations of coins depicting it were shown and included a silver tetradrachm of Athens bearing a cicada as the private mark of the chief magistrate. On a nomos from Caulonia the head of Apollo is accompanied by the cicada, a creature sacred to this god. Fables figuring the cicada became woven into superstitions and beliefs of the people and thus it came to be fashioned in precious stones as charms and signets. Even to the present day the peasants of Northern Italy believe the cicada, grasshopper and locust are possessed of peculiar virtues. The story of Eunos was told, who won a contest through the timely help of a cicada which, when a string of the cythera snapped, supplied the missing note.—*Spinks (London).*

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A numismatic "mule" is a coin having the faces wrongly placed, either both alike or from different coins. According to reports a "mule" occurred in the minting of some of the Edward VIII British West African pennies. Instead of "one cent," pennies are stamped "ten cents" from an East African die.

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The coin collecting boys of Dayton, Ohio, have organized a club, and judging from the personnel of the organizers, Whitt, Kelly, etc., it should be a big going concern right from the jump. With the lively Dayton bunch in the field, the prediction that Ohio will be the next state to form a state organization of coin clubs is as good as fulfilled. Good luck and best wishes to the Daytonites.

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It is so often asked, "Are there many women coin collectors, and are they successful at it?" An exchange says: "Upwards of 10 million dollars is paid in alimony and separate maintenance in Los Angeles County each

year." The lady collectors of Los Angeles should organize a bank, not a coin club.

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Never twit a small collection. The small collector is just as important and necessary in his sphere as is the big collector in his. It is not how big you are, but how good you are for your size. The diminutive silver three cent piece is as important in its role as is the gigantic twenty dollar piece. So don't twit a small collector for he might answer you as did the little elf answer John Kendrick Bangs:—"I asked him why he was so small, and why he didn't grow. He slightly frowned, and with his eye he looked me through and through. 'I'm quite as big for me', said he, 'as you are big for you.'"

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"The science of numismatics is one which opens to the inquiring mind a field of study, embracing a much wider field than any of its sister sciences. It is one of the most intellectual pursuits of the day."—*G. C. A.*

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"It is not generally known that the rarest portraits of famous heroes are found upon coins and medals. The historians, especially the history artists, are indebted to this source alone for the portraits of Alexander, Ptolemy, Cleopatra, Mark Anthony, Caesar, and many other celebrities."—*Evans.*

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"It is more easy to write on money than to obtain it, and those who gain it jest much at those who only know how to write about it."—*Voltaire.* I find it much easier to write about, than to obtain money.

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A \$3 note issued by the Drovers Bank of Utah in July, 1856, turned up at a recent club meeting. The entire back of the note is taken up with an advertisement of a St. Joseph, Mo. fish dealer. Members of the Club inspecting the note doubted its genuineness on account of the advertisement. The matter was referred to D. C. Wismer, a recognized authority on paper money and bank notes. He re-

plied: "The advertisement really proves the genuineness of the note; many of the old bank notes were used in this way. There must have been hundreds of them. They were handed out as interesting advertisements, and kept by many recipients for a period and then thrown away and destroyed, so that notes with advertisements on the back are really rare. The notes of the River Raisin and Lake Erie R. R. Co. of Monroe, Mich., were extensively used in Philadelphia for advertisements, at least ten different merchants used them, and it is remarkable how few have survived. In connection of the old Bank note Currency: Collectors should know that from 1789 to 1861 that was the principal money with which business transactions were made; and even up to July 1, 1866, it was the principal currency in use as the issues of the United States greenbacks, and National Bank notes did not begin to supply the needs of the times for currency and the amount of the Bank notes in the circulation during the Civil War was much larger than the United States currency. Extremely few persons have any idea of the part played in business by the old State Bank currency."

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Near the exit door of the Cabinet, (U. S. Mint in Philadelphia) in a large glass case, is a magnificent American eagle, which is worthy of the visitor's attention. It is superbly mounted, with grand breadth of wing and wondrous piercing eyes. The portrait of this "pet" can be recognized on Reverse of the "Pattern" Silver Dollars of 1836, 1838, and 1839, and on the Obverse of the first nickel cent pieces coined in 1856.

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PETER, the name which the noble bird recognized, was an inhabitant of the Mint six years. He would fly about the City, but no one interfered with the going or the coming of the "Mint Bird", and he never failed to return from his daily exercise before the time for closing the building. In an evil hour he unfortunately perched upon a large fly wheel, and getting caught in the machinery, received a fatal injury to his wing, and this ended rather an unusual career for an eagle.—*From George G. Evans History of the United States Mint (1885.)*



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# Recollections of An Old Collector

By THOMAS L. ELDER

*Old Time Coin Chat. An Early Boy Coin Dealer.*

AS EARLY as 1857, the *New York Sunday Dispatch* was printing colloquys and inquiries about coins and interviews between numismatists. There was even a "Coin Trade", and "fabulous prices for rare coins" were announced. Well, some of these fabulous prices wouldn't be considered fabulous to-day.—Levick, Kline, Idler, Cauffman, Warner, Fewsmith and Hill (of token fame, in New York) were then busy at coin collecting. Numismatists were then even rated as "Men of gentlemanly instincts and scholarly attainments." E. Mason of Philadelphia was also busy in both collecting and writing, and an interesting numismatist he must have been, too. He records the exchange of a \$40 diamond pin for a 1799 cent between collectors. From this we may glean that cents like 1799 and 1804 have been in demand from the very first, when J. J. Mickley went to the U. S. Mint in 1799 and got his 1799 cent for his collection. Mason records then that of the 1838 silver dollars "only 18 were made," which established a good premium for that coin from the date of issue. Another collector records that coin sales were held in this country from the year 1828, which if so, places the duration or age of coin sales in our midst at 119 years, a very respectable duration of time for them. Sometimes books and other merchandise went with coins at the sales. The original sales were all public sales with auctioneers. The advent of the mail sale seems to date from about 1903 when the writer held his first sale. There may have

been small sales before that, of course. "When you have decided to make a collection, or set of coins, be sure and secure the best specimens. Get uncirculated coins, if possible," writes Mason; "but do not let the scarcity of coins of this description dishearten you," he adds. One needs a pocketbook to get a set of uncirculated coins or cents today. The price of one dollar per coin for a set of small cents from 1857 was reached a year or so ago at auction in New York, and the lowly copper small cent becomes when in a set a sort of numismatic aristocrat. Also as to the mint-marks, individual mint-marks in the best condition, viz., uncirculated red, are listed up to \$7 apiece; so that is that. It is altogether likely that the small cent, all things considered, including depressions, will retain perhaps the greatest popularity of any American coin. For no difference what the times are, or how hard up a collector may be for ready cash, he needs less than a dollar to start a collection of small U. S. cents. So the collecting of small cents will persist. In 1856 the small cent had just made its appearance with the striking of some 10,000 specimens. In 1857 and 1858 this number was added to by a total of some 30,000,000, a very generous coinage when one remembers this style of cent was struck in only three years. Of course, most of these got into circulation and the uncirculated examples are quite scarce today, commanding good prices, from \$2 to \$8, according to condition. The 1856 brings much more, proofs up to \$40 apiece.

In 1867, in Philadelphia, Messrs. Davis and Harvey, had already begun to hold coin sales. These sales continued down to well after the beginning of 1900. Their last sales included many notable offerings, like the Stickney, Smith, Zug and other like collections.

In 1858, a "very intelligent lad" kept a coin stand on the Custom House steps, in Philadelphia. This

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vendor was named "Little Jimmy." He was Irish and had come from New York City; he had formerly sold newspapers and blacked boots. When his rather worthless father had died, he left few belongings except a few old coins, which Jimmy appropriated. These Jimmy took out onto the street to exchange for something to eat. In vain he offered to give two coins for a small cake. He afterwards stood on Broadway corner of Chambers Street and offered the coins for sale to passersby. There he met another coin huckster, a grown man. This man struck up an acquaintance with Jimmy, who secured from him as much as 25c each for some of his coppers, enabling Jimmy to have total proceeds of two dollars and fifty-two cents, to Jim something extraordinary. A newsboy who had witnessed the transaction informed Jimmy that he had been cheated by the older man and that he had disposed of Washington and New York cents worth ten dollars apiece. Then began Jimmy's interest in coins, and his interest sent Jimmy to accumulating them. He visited market stands, groceries, and exchanged all his money for copper cash, large copper cents, half cents, small cents and the like. Just imagine his opportunity in those days when several kinds of coppers and three kinds of cents were in heavy

circulation, at one time passing for face. It was a small but interesting speculation, a forerunner of these days of commemorative coin speculation, and I'd say with a larger field to work on than today, when all cents are of one size and there are left no half cents in circulation. The half cents did not get far from the mint and circulated heavily around Philadelphia. Jimmy then opened a small stand near the city hall park, in New York as a dealer in coins. He succeeded, and attended school at night, and supported himself and his mother, and put \$100 in the Dime Savings Bank. It is recorded that after following his coin business for a year or so in Philadelphia and New York he died of consumption in 1861. An interesting record of one of our earliest small coin merchants.

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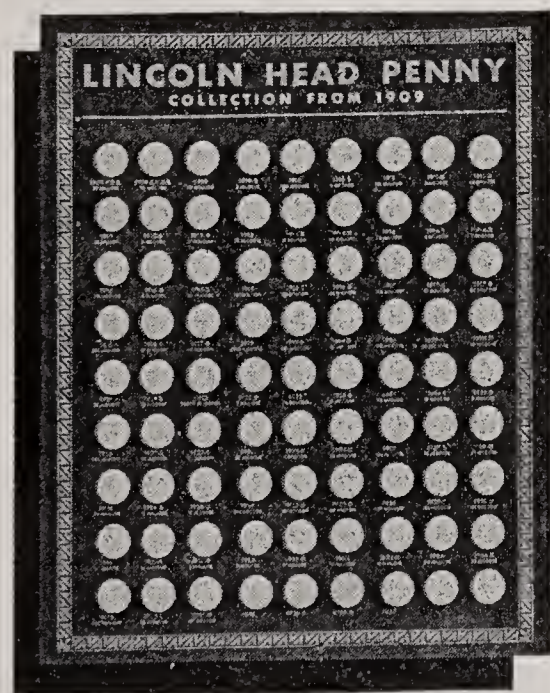
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## New Zealand Numismatics

*Being some notes from the report of Allan Sutherland, Secretary*

IN DEALING with a proposal supported by the Society last year that a Centennial half-crown be issued in 1940, the Rev. D. C. Bates said that it was not in the interests of the early adoption of decimal coinage to perpetuate the half-crown. The florin, which was a decimal coin, and a four-shilling piece, which was a possible decimal unit, would be appropriate commemorative pieces. Florins were preferred to half-crowns and the similarity in sizes of the two coins created confusion. Mr. Johannes Andersen said that during a shortage of half-crowns he had experienced the convenience of florins in paying out to staff, and he, too, favoured the elimination of the half-crown as being unnecessary. Mr. Allen Sutherland said that in a three-place decimal system (with the £. divided into 1,000 mils, as recommended by the recent Australian Commission on Australian banking) the half-crown would probably have no place, but in a crown-cent decimal system, the £. would be abolished in favour of a crown or 5s. unit equalling 100 cents (two decimal places) and both the florin and the half-crown could be fitted into such a system. The half-crown was suggested as the Centennial coin because it was the largest circulating coin and would take a good design though it might be noted that Australia had long ago abolished the half-crown. The Society had suggested that the questions of Centennial coinage and decimal coinage might well be separated, and the matter of a possible investigation into decimal coinage would no doubt be considered by the Government in due course.

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In a short paper on "Communion Tokens of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand", H. G. Williams, of Dunedin, said that Presbyterian Church Communion tokens (round, square, oval, or lozenge-shaped pieces of metal, usually of lead, and bearing names of churches, numbers, or references from the Bible) were interesting sidelights on the study of numismatics. These tokens were said to have had their origin in Scotland, as admission pieces to communion services. It is even stated that similar tokens were used as passports to conventicles held in defiance of the law, when religious persecution was the order of the day in Scotland, and it is suggested that the lozenge shape was adopted to facilitate insertion in the mouth in the event of being surprised in secret conclave, but there was no confirmation of these assertions. In any case the heather would provide a sufficient hiding place for tokens

if used in times of risk. It was clear that communion tokens served mainly as adjuncts to communion services, indicating numbers and texts, etc., and it was for use in such a way that they were first issued in New Zealand in 1844, their use being discontinued about the year 1886. They were used mainly in Otago. Very few people of the present generation were aware that these pieces had been used, and there were very few, if any, complete collections of them. Mr. Williams had the most complete collection. He was making an effort to complete sets for the Church authorities and for local collections.

The Rev. D. C. Bates said that in medieval times it was usual for the laity to communicate only once a year—at Easter; but at the Reformation it was thought desirable that communion should be taken more frequently. The issue of Presbyterian communion tokens to the congregation was considered to be a privilege necessitating a special session of the elders to consider the fitness of applicants for communion. This was known as "fencing the table." The issue of tokens was said to have been abused occasionally both by issuers and recipients and, after being substituted by cards in some places, their issue was discontinued. Communion tokens seemed peculiar to the Presbyterian Church, although other Churches had their forms of admission and Communicant Guilds, etc., for which special medals were worn.

The other religious inscription, "D. G." (By the Grace of God) was reminiscent of the days of the Divine Right of Kings, and although that was hardly accepted to-day (nor, indeed, in the time of Charles I, whose insistence on it caused his head to be cut off), it was retained in deference to long-established tradition. The Kings of France and Spain had also used this inscription on their coins. Long after British influence and possessions had ceased in France, British Kings boastfully proclaimed in their coin inscriptions the title "King of France."

By law the coins of U. S. A. must bear the words "In God We Trust" and "E Pluribus Unum" (one out of many) but it was explained that these mottoes should not be read in conjunction with one another. A ferocious inscription on a coin issued during the Mexican Revolution was "Muera Huerta," meaning "Death to Huerta." Huerta was so enraged that he ordered the death penalty for those found in possession of this coin. The "Zloty" of Poland, the "Gulden" of Danzig, and the Dutch "Guilder" came from

the local names for gold, and the words "Crown," "Krone," "Koruna," "Kroon," "Krona," indicated that the currency was derived from Crown authority, whilst the "Pound," "Mark," "Peso," and "Lire" referred to weights. Designers displayed ingenuity in conforming with the law and yet produced designs unspoilt by compulsory lettering.

The Rev. D. C. Bates said that Henry VIII was originally intended for the Church and therefore had a theological or dogmatic outlook. Many monarchs had been made titular Bishops and Cardinals although they had never been consecrated as such. The origin of the title 'D. G.' (By the Grace of God) was also of papal origin. History showed that medieval Popes considered themselves God's Vice Regent with the power to appoint monarchs and to dispose of earthly realms and to confer titles such as "D. G." and "Fidei Defensor" both of which originated from the Vatican. The former title was adopted in the time of Pepin, who took the title "By Divine Grace" when in 752, with the approval of the Pope, he ousted his King and was released from oaths of fealty.

Allan Sutherland, F. R. N. S., gave a short paper on "Coin Inscriptions" wherein he said that coin inscriptions were necessarily limited to alphabetic brevity, and it was remarkable to note the ingenuity in moulding them into designs and crowding them into limited space. The placing of the Lord's Prayer on a small medal or the reproduction of the whole of the Abdications Speech of King Edward VIII on a plaque indicated the advance made in the art of reproducing inscriptions on limited surfaces.

To numismatists a notable inscription was "S. C." on Roman coins denoted "By the consent of the Senate." These letters ranged through a series of Roman coins and reminded us that even in those days so far as the baser metal coins were concerned, they were issued by the consent of the Senate. Roman coins were rich in historical inscriptions and allusions. Latin inscriptions on British coins came to us from the time of the Roman occupation of Britain and, strangely enough, Latin had long been discarded on the coinage of Italy, the country of its origin. Until recently Latin coin inscriptions were familiar to New Zealanders, but when New Zealand adopted her own coinage in 1933 she used the uniform inscription, in English, appearing on coins of the British overseas Dominions, "George V., King, Emperor." In some countries bi-lingual and tri-lingual inscriptions were used.

In an historical approach to the origin of the present-day ecclesiastical inscriptions on British coins, Mr. Sutherland said that it was King Henry



Def." (Defender of the Faith) which still appeared on British coins. Early in his career a treatise in defence of the Roman Catholic Faith was published under his name, and this pleased the then Pope so much that he conferred on him the title of "Defender of the Faith." When King Henry VIII started his matrimonial marathon, however, he defied the Pope's edicts on divorce, discarded the jurisdiction of the Roman Catholic Church and decreed his own supremacy in the Church of England. He retained, however the title of "Defender of the Faith" conferred on him by the Pope, but the "Faith", he contended, was the same, and he tried to prove it by his Six Articles—"The Whip with Six Strings." The reign of Henry VIII was well marked in numismatic history, for he debased the coinage so much that his so-called silver coins were little more than silver-copper pieces, and this was soon disclosed as the silver wore away, for the coins depicted his features, full-face with the nose protruding. When the nose began to wear flat this not only gave the monarch a pugilistic appearance, but revealed the baseness of the metal, and this originated the nickname afterwards given to King Henry VIII—"Old Copper-Nose." Modern coins show the features of monarchs in profile. In the days of Henry VIII coinage was valued because of its inherent purity, and debasing had repercussions that did not apply today when coins were largely tokens only, representing value in the same way as banknotes. Some regarded the early debasing of coins as almost counterfeiting; but Henry VIII had a good precedent to follow, for Julius Caesar was alleged to have counterfeited his coinage by silver-plating inscribed base metal.

The absence of the title "Fid. Def." from the standard overseas coin-inscription in no way indicated the absence of recognition of the Christian faith. Full titles could not be conveniently shown in English. A very small percentage of the people, in any case, knew what the cryptic Latin abbreviations meant. In a search for an all-embracing inscription it was considered even by the Designs Committee attached to the Royal Mint (on which was a personal representative of the late King George V) that "George V. King Emperor" was adequate. Moreover, the omission of it would not give offence to the millions of non-Christian British subjects in India and elsewhere. This showed a broad-minded spirit of tolerance on the part of the dominant Christian minority towards the majority, for it was understood that there were more non-

Christians than Christians in the British Empire. Whilst studying the feeling of the variety of races and creeds within the Empire, the Homeland retained the full style and title on its own coins, in Latin.

### Briefs

The Louisiana State Museum, New Orleans, has issued a very interesting pamphlet under the direction of James A. Fortier, editor, containing much numismatic material showing medals and coins struck in honor of the hero of Buena Vista, Zachary Taylor. The 72-page booklet is replete with the interesting lore of old "rough and ready," one of the most admirable figures in American history. Museum research material is often dry but here is a booklet that will be prized in the library of every collector. The price is only 25c and worth far more.

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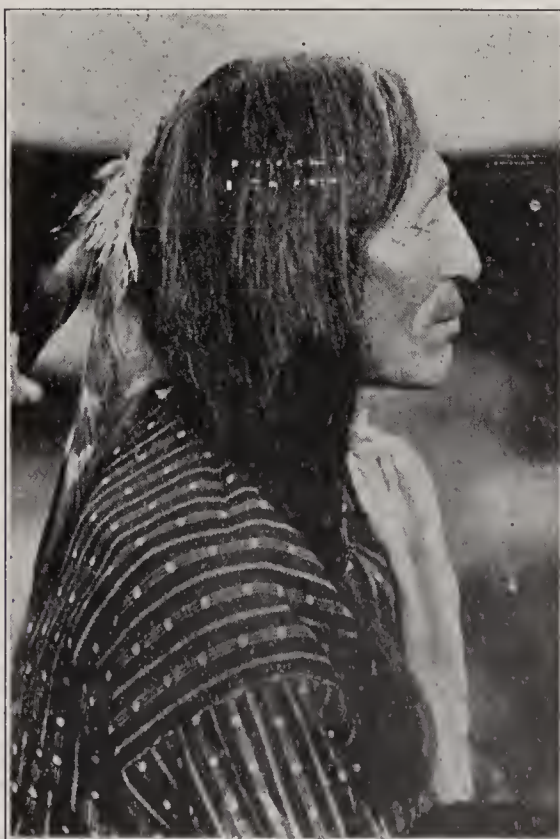
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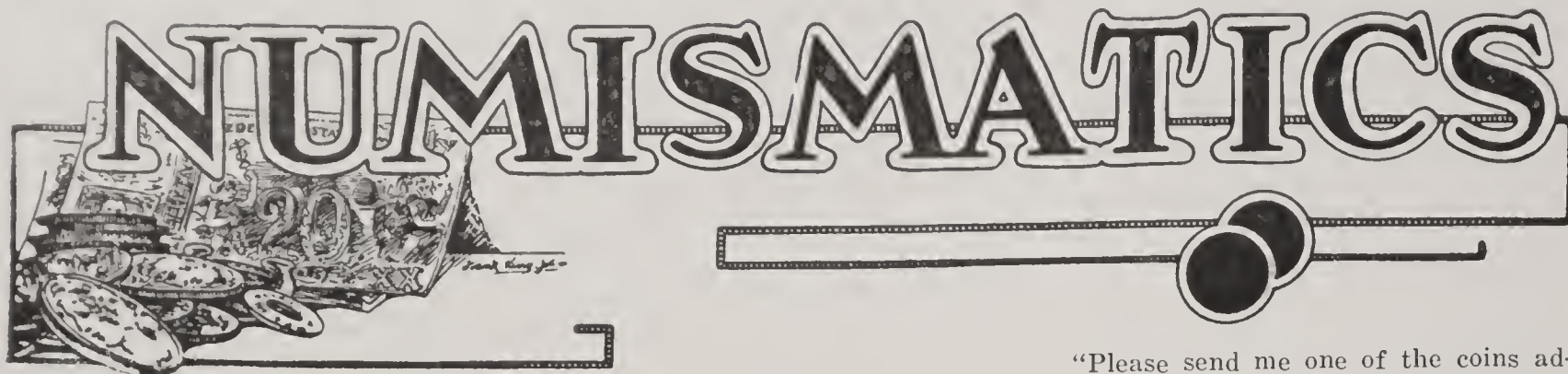


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## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

### A NUMISMATIC COINCIDENCE

*Editors American Journal of Numismatics*, (July, 1879,) I have in my collection one of the Paquet's "North Western Sanitary Fair" Medals of the late President Lincoln. When I obtained this medal, I was told that when fifty-five of the medals had been struck, the die cracked on the fifty-sixth medal. And as Mr. Lincoln was just fifty-six years of age when he died, the cracking of the die on this particular medal was very remarkable. I cannot certify to the legend as to the number of medals issued before the die cracked; but I can certify that it is true enough for all practical purposes growing out of such coincidences. However, as a matter of fact, there is a still more wonderful coincidence to be related.

When Mr. Lincoln was assassinated, he was sitting in his box at the theatre, looking towards the stage, so that his head was slightly inclined forward and downward. Hence the ball of the assassin struck him on the back of the neck, at the base of the brain, remaining imbedded in the skull; the line of direction which the ball followed being from the right mastoid process towards the center of the nasal bone. The Paquet medal before me shows the crack of the die very plainly. It runs across the head of the President, and the line of the direction of the crack is precisely that which the ball of the assassin took—from the right mastoid process to the center of the nasal bone. Was the death by assassination of the President prophetic of the cracked die?—*Horace Edwin Hayden*.

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The Ohio State Numismatic Society, of which Dr. J. M. Henderson of Columbus, one of numismatics most highly esteemed and useful devotees, is a charter member, was organized in February 1906 and claims to be the first state organization of its kind in the country. It has a large membership and plays an important role in the numismatic world. It has a large cabinet of coins always on display at the Ohio State Histori-

cal Society. Its annual conventions are of national importance and are attended by numismatists from all over the United States, and the continued large attendance is the best evidence of the good times enjoyed and the beneficial results obtained. Thirty-two years old and still a growing speaks well for the Society's vigor, stability, and usefulness.

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*Washington, Oct. 13th.* (Associated Press) "Two dollar bills are getting scarcer. These notes in the hands of the public totalled 33 million dollars August 31 compared with 41 million dollars in August 1936, and 62 million dollars in August 1929. Treasury officials said they did not know why the circulation of these notes has dropped, unless it is because many consider them unlucky."

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Mr. Average Collector is the middle class of numismatics, the predominating populace of numismatists. His collection is not so large it can be exhibited only under police surveillance, and not so small it is not worth displaying, but just the right size for all practical purposes. He is not a snow-capped mountain, nor is he a water-soaked valley, but a peaceful hill. "Hills," someone said, "is just plain people with their faults left out."

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Handle coins carefully, especially the other fellow's. A careless coin handler in on a par with a careless driver, it is only a matter of time until "something happens." And "a careless driver," as someone described him, "is an accident rushing somewhere to happen."

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"Right about, Face!" As to the king's likeness on English coins, it is the custom that the head of each succeeding ruler shall appear on the coins facing in the reverse direction.

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The following item from *Home Life*, slightly paraphrased, is for the annoyed dealer and the disappointed collector. A collector wrote a dealer,

"Please send me one of the coins advertised on page 593 and if it is any good I'll send you a check." The dealer replied, "Send me the check and if it is any good I will send you the coin."

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Your statistics will show there were no silver dollars coined between 1804 and 1840 (except a few patterns in 1836-39-39), and only 61,000 in 1840, and have wondered why they were discontinued so early in the game. This is why:—Department of State, Washington, May 1st, 1806. Robt. Patterson, Esq., Director of the Mint. Sir:—In consequence of a representation from the Director of the Bank of the U. S. that considerable purchases have been made of dollars coined at the Mint for the purpose of exporting them, and, as it is probable that further purchases and exportations will be made, the President directs that all silver to be coined at the Mint shall be of small denominations, so that the value of the largest pieces shall not exceed half a dollar. I am, etc., James Madison.

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Why not call them coin collectors and be done with it. An English paper in speaking of a prominent American coin collector called him a numismatologist. Translated, it means numismatist that knows his coins.

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At one time, due to lack of coins, Canada used playing cards for money and for many years playing cards were legal tender. This was hard on professional fortune tellers, for a person could lay his cards on the table and tell his own fortune. Probably the expression "lucky at cards, unlucky in love" originated with card money.

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In the interior of Liberia, we are told, the currency is made up of iron bars 15 inches long. Over there, we suppose, a man ought to be pretty careful about not letting too much money go to his head.—*George Ryan in the Boston Herald*.

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George Ryan in the *Boston Herald* also says:—A thoughtful economist has just written a 100 page "Short History of Money." We could write a history of our money in six words, "Here it is, there it goes."



It takes nearly 300 pounds of copper a year to mint United States coins.—*Kansas City (Mo.) Times.*

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The late Arthur Brisbane was forever daring someone to explain what money is. Farran Zerbe said the best answer he ever heard was from a ten year old boy:—"money is that the other chap takes for what you want."

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Don't be lazy or stupid in handling your collection. Have a place for every coin and keep each in its place; don't aid and abet friction and tarnish by stupid handling. Make sure Ching Chow is not pointing at you when he says:—"The lazy uses a long thread, the stupid a crooked needle."

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Why is a two dollar bill considered a jinx? John R. Tunis in the American tells us:—"The idea that a two was unlucky arose in the days of Canfield's famous gambling joint in New York, where gamblers would toss a \$2 bill into the pot to change their luck after a bad run. Consequently a \$2 bill became a symbol for gamblers and was avoided whenever possible."

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A representative coin collection is a history of the world, ancient and modern, written on imperishable metal. History, as engraved on coins,

corroborates — often corrects — book history. Coin collecting is a serious study, not a playful pastime.

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The term "shinplaster" as applied to our Continental currency was not merely a nick-name—"there was a reason." Quoting S. M. Koeppl: "These little bills were printed on thick paper and the British soldiers jeered at them as 'the paste board money of the rebels.' The American Revolutionary soldiers were paid in this currency, which they called 'shinplasters,' because, being of heavy paper, they could be put inside one's stockings to keep the shins warm in cold weather."

Truth is often spoken in a jest—and history is often recorded in a nick-name.

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It is claimed the philatelists are helping Jim Farley keep the post office department out of the red by buying—and not using—so many postage stamps. The numismatists are doing even better; they are helping balance the budget by holding out on Uncle Sam by specializing on the large old style paper bills. The treasury department says there are \$222,649,000 of the large size bills still outstanding of the \$5,100,000,000 that were out on July 10, 1929 the date they were called.

Mrs. George R. DeSaussure of Jacksonville, Fla., claims a gold coin, dated 1795, which would make it one of the first of its kind ever minted. In fact Mrs. DeSaussure has information showing that it was minted at President George Washington's instigation. This is the story that goes with the coin:

"General Washington, whose habit it was to see the heads of departments at his table, upon one of these occasions expressed to the director of the mint, Henry William DeSaussure, his satisfaction at the activity introduced into the silver coinage, and added:

"I have long desired to see gold coined at the mint, but your predecessor found insuperable difficulties. I should be much gratified if it could be accomplished before I leave office."

"I will try," replied Mr. DeSaussure.

"He went to the mint, summoned the private officers, and by great diligence speedily removed all obstacles, and in six weeks he carried to Washington a handful of gold eagles."

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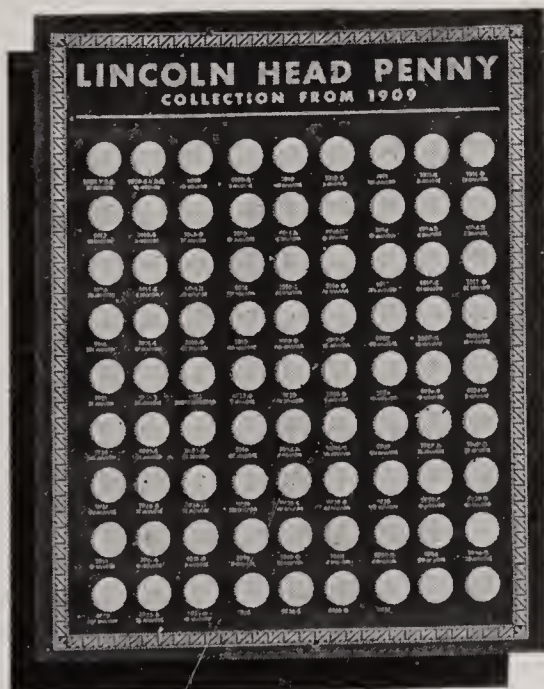
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By THOMAS L. ELDER

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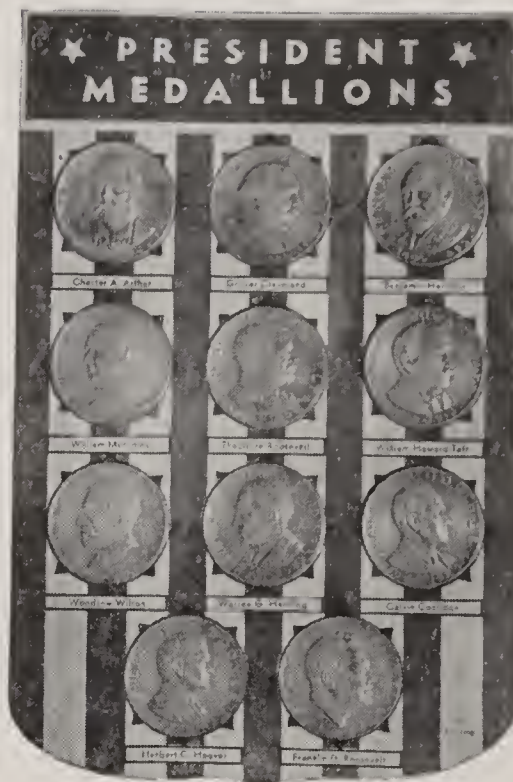
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By CHARLES J. BUCKSTEIN

THE most important of the medals struck in commemoration of the George Washington Bicentennial celebration in 1932 was the official George Washington bicentennial commemorative medal.

When the George Washington Bicentennial Commission decided to have such a medal for awards and presentations, an advisory committee was appointed to make suggestions for a medal.

It was decided upon to hold a national competition for the best design for the medal under the auspices of the National Commission of Fine Arts. The contest was open to all the sculptors and medalists. The only stipulation as to design was that the obverse should have a portrait of George Washington after Houdon and the design on the reverse should be national in character.

A committee of judges consisting of sculptors who were or had been members of the National Committee of Fine Arts chose a model which was the work of Mrs. Laura Gardin Fraser of New York. All entries in the competition were judged anonymously. The decision of the judges was approved by the United States George Washington Bicentennial Commission and the National Commission of Fine Arts.

The official description of the medal is as follows: The principal feature of the design on the obverse is a portrait bust of Washington after Houdon, in military uniform, profile view. Above it is the inscription "Washington" while beneath it a shield bearing the Washington Coat of Arms which separate the dates "1732" and "1932". On the reverse is a full length symbolic figure of Liberty, standing on the prow of the Ship of State, holding a lighted torch in the right hand and a sword in the left. In the field above this figure appear an eagle with outspread wings, and thirteen stars. The inscription which completes the design reads: "Proclaim Liberty throughout all the land."

The medal is three inches in diameter and was struck at the United States Mint. The medals were struck in platinum, gold, silver and bronze. The first or master medal, was struck in platinum and presented to Herbert Hoover, who was President of the United States at the time. This was the first medal ever struck from platinum by the United States Government. There were two other medals struck from this same material, which was supplied to the Commission through the patriotic interests of

the platinum industry. One was presented to the Director of the United States George Washington Bicentennial Commission, and the other to the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.

There were two medals struck in gold. These were presented to the national winners of the school essay and oratorical contests conducted under the auspices of the Commission.

Three hundred silver and thirty-five hundred bronze medals were also struck. Silver and bronze medals were used as first and second awards in the various state and regional contests in the schools.

Two hundred bronze medals were presented to numismatic and historical societies for exhibition in their museums and libraries. The remaining bronze medals were distributed to persons who participated to an outstanding degree in the world-wide George Washington Bicentennial celebration.

### George Washington Quarter Dollar

As a part of the Federal Government's participation in the George Washington bicentennial celebration, the design of the United States quarter dollar was changed in 1932 to bear the likeness of George Washington. This action by the Treasury Department was taken with congressional sanction. Following the enactment of the legislation, leading sculptors of the United States were invited by the Director of the Mint to enter a competition for the selection of an appropriate design. More than one hundred entries were received, from which the design submitted by John Flannagan, noted sculptor of New York City, was selected by the Secretary of the Treasury; and the preparation of the dies authorized.

The principal feature of the design is the head of George Washington in profile on the obverse, with the word "Liberty" above it, with the date "1932" below, and the motto "In God We Trust" on the side. On the reverse is an eagle with wings outspread standing on a bundle of arrows with two sprays of olive and the words "Quarter Dollar" beneath this central figure, while above are the inscriptions, "The United States of America" and "E Pluribus Unum."

The new coins were minted at the United States Mints at Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco. They were placed on sale throughout the country on August 1, 1932, through the Federal Reserve Banks. They are the same weight, size and fineness as



Presidential Tokens by Jolly Art Co., Inc.

The Jolly Art Co., Inc., New York City, has recently issued a set of presidential tokens of half-dollar size. Washington is represented herewith.

the previous quarter dollar. This was the first coin of general issue to bear the likeness of George Washington. During 1932 6,248,800 coins were minted. This design will remain in use for the next twenty-five years unless it is changed by a special Act of Congress.—Charles J. Buckstein.

### Numismatic Notes

You don't believe in Santa Claus? Perhaps Maurice Scharlack, Texas, didn't either until Christmas morning. Mr. Scharlack writes HOBBIES:

"I have devoted many years to the acquisition of gold coins and they are my pet love. Imagine my feelings when Santa Claus (in the diminutive form of my wife) brought me an 1879 proof Four Dollar Gold Piece. There were only 300 issued that year and it is really a rarity. This coin comes from the Major John H. Mackey collection, of Jacksonville, Fla."

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Maurice Gould, formerly of Worcester, Mass., has removed his coin and curio business to Brighton, Mass.

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Ohio tax stamps have a friend in Luther H. Whitt of Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Whitt has recently issued a booklet on the subject, which gives for the first time a listing on tax coupons of the state with numbers and prices. Here is a field of collecting that may make history in future years.

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There was considerable newspaper comment recently when a Lady Godiva half-penny, was found in the Spanish Wishing Well in the Rockefeller Center's Sky Gardens, tossed there evidently by a tourist. The Lady Godiva coin, was struck in Coventry,



England, in 1792. It bears a figure of Lady Godiva on horseback.

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A United Press report says that more than 20 million of Great Britain's new 12-sided 3-penny "bits" have been put into circulation and are still regarded as novelties. Many have been used as brooches, pendants, and earrings.

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For the token collector—The new 1-mill aluminum sales tax token was placed in general use in Kansas on December 1. Taxpayers will save considerable money with the new tokens. Heretofore tokens were of 2-mill denominations.

### Death of Howland Wood

Howland Wood died at his home in New York on January 4, after a brief illness.

Mr. Wood was secretary of the American Numismatic Association from 1905 to 1909 and chairman of the board of governors from 1909 to 1912. He became curator of the American Numismatic Society in 1913, a position which he held until his death.

Mr. Woods special love was Oriental coins but he was well versed on many other numismatic subjects, and numerous publications are attributed to him. It is said that his knowledge on commemoratives caused the arrest of a skillful forger a few years ago. He noticed that there were too many of certain issues in circulation and gave this fact to Secret Service Agents who ran down the matter, finally capturing the counterfeiter.

*Morris Freedman, 18 year old Massachusetts collector, in the following letter gives an insight on collecting street car tokens and horse-car data.*

MR. ROSS:—

I wrote to the American Transit Association requesting the addresses of the large street railways in the principal cities. I then wrote to the street railway companies telling them who I was and my purpose. I asked for samples of their tokens now in use, offering to pay for them, but many sent them with their compliments. I purchased several from dealers and many direct from the street railway companies.

Next I decided to contact other collectors in order to swap. This was done through the fine "swap ads" in HOBBIES. From this method I built up an average collection in about a year.

I recently added a different branch of the hobby, horse-cars and street horse-railways. The horse-cars appeal to me and I have collected quite a bit of history pertaining to the street horse-railways in Boston. The other cities have me puzzled as I am not able to receive much data from them. I have many old photographs of horse-cars traversing the narrow, winding streets of Boston and are all very interesting.

Several collector friends learning of my collecting horse-car tokens have very generously swapped their very few, scarce, duplicate horse-car tokens to me for my more common street car ones.

Thus, my entrance into one of the most interesting of hobbies.

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### Money Talks

All prayers can't be answered. There just simply isn't that much money.—*Claude Callan, in the Kansas City Times.*

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"The Office Boy wonders if the fool who has been parted from his money doesn't feel cheap."

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A silver coin smells quite different from a copper.

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In many remote sections of China opium serves as a popular form of currency and is as negotiable as cash.

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Cigarette coupons have been adopted as currency in Java to replace good money which is becoming scarce.

—*Fact Digest*

## A Few 1937 Coins



Courtesy Gutttag Brothers.

LEFT TO RIGHT:—First four—left to right, King George VI, 1937, Maundy-Thursday money, 4d, 3d, 2d, 1d. King Edward VIII, 1936, New Guinea, 1 penny copper, with conventional designs and identifying inscriptions. English (1937), 1 farthing, King Geo VI, bronze, showing a portrait of King George VI on one side and a bird on the other. with identifying inscriptions. English, King Geo. VI, 1937, half crown silver, showing a portrait of the king on one side and conventional design on the other.



## Roman Coins of the Third Century

By G. L. SCHANZLIN

THE history of Roman coinage looms so large in the history of human progress, and the experiments in finance and fiscal organization of the Roman emperors are so important in their influence upon the subsequent history of the financial systems of the western world, that one must be surprised at the small interest which this subject has created among students and lovers of history. The history of coins supplements ordinary records in no small way, and its uses must be obvious to anybody giving this matter even a small amount of attention.

The third century of our era is not in good odor with historians. Yet, its intricate details and its many obscure characters, emperors though a goodly portion of them were, not only furnish material to the student of morals, of religion, or of political events, but in a marked measure, I believe, also, to the student of social and political economy.

It is startling to find in that century most or all of the problems that have engaged statesmen; the regulation of finances, the flow of precious metals from country to country through the mediums and agencies of great trading centers with the bearings which these financial currents have on the welfare of countries and of nations.

No attempt will be made in this paper to deal with the larger aspects of the financial conditions of the Roman empire in this century. It must suffice for our purposes to trace some sides of it that have to do with the coinage itself, rather than the theories and practices underlying their issue or resulting from it.

### *Mint Marks and Coins for Special Occasions*

There seems to have been no attempt made to date Roman coins, other than by putting on them the portraits of consuls, emperors and other eminent persons (women not excluded.) Compared with Asiatic coins, the Roman coins show a state of excellency of engraving and minting, which is astonishing. Even on the coins of the soldier emperors of the third century, base as their metal is, are found examples of fine workmanship in portraiture. It is not too much to say, that from this source alone it would be nearly possible to reconstruct a good deal of the styles of dress, hairdress, the presence or the absence of beards of the men, besides many other sidelights on the history of the manners of that particular time.

And who were the artists who have left for us such excellent examples of

their skill? George Finley speaks of moneyers, the makers of coinage, in the third century: "His (Aurelian's) reforms deprived the mint-masters and the corporations of moneyers of the enormous profits which they had previously gained by issuing base money and selling pure gold coins to be used in paying taxes, and probably from other iniquitous measures. But from whatever sources the gains of the mint-masters and the moneyers were derived, it is certain that their power and wealth were very great, and their number considerable; their corporations embraced many families in the cities where imperial mints were established, and like other artisans in the Roman empire, they were serfs of their corporation, and were compelled to marry only in the families of the corporation. Aurelian's reforms produced an extensive and dangerous revolt of these moneyers; and so great was their animosity against the imperial reformer, who had sacrificed their profits to the public good, that it cost the army seven thousand men before their rebellion was suppressed. — *Greece under the Romans*.

The typical Roman coin of the third century is the *argenteus* which since the time of Caracalla had largely displaced the older *denarius*.

The *denarius* in Caracalla's time weighed about 50 grains, containing about 36 grains of pure silver. The *argenteus* in the time of Gordian III contained from 38-40 percent of pure silver. It weighed, to judge from existing specimens, about 60 grain. After the time of Philip the Arab, it was reduced in size, and both coins before the end of the century had become so debased, that they practically were useless for the purpose of public currency. Finley says, finally, "the *argenteus* becomes a copper coin washed with tin." (*Mommsen*, 321.)

The emblems employed in coining the *argenteus* are of somewhat exotic, un-Roman character. Finley says:—"It is distinguished by the radiated crown of the emperor, and by the bust of the empress being placed on a half-moon. One might ask where did these two outlandish emblems come from, one almost suspects some oriental origin for them. It does not seem likely that Roman emperors, even those of the third century, wore crowns, especially not crowns of that shape. One coin of bronze, of Allectus, (293-96) rival emperor in Great Britain, shows the same crown. The only bronze pieces with such a crown, in my reach, is a bronze of Gallienus. It would seem that this crown, at least as a mint emblem, was borrowed from the dynasty of Antiochi's of Syria.

Mention has been made of the at-

tempt of Aurelian (270-75) to reform the currency of the empire. Another notable change was made by Diocletian, 284-305. He was the first emperor to accept the title *Dominus*. It has been said that he also was the first emperor to wear a crown, but we have seen, that crowns as part of the imperial regalia, or at least for the purposes of coinage, were quite common throughout the century. It would seem that in his time the *argenteus* was discontinued, while the *denarius* was coined again in purer silver. Also some copper coins date from the time of this emperor and his colleagues in the empire, Mamimianus Hercules and others.

The most marked changes in the coinage of the empire were however introduced by Constantine. The *solidus*, 72 to the pound, of gold, took the place of the old *aureus*. In place of the copper coins of the era of Diocletian we now find bronze coins of various denominations. The best preserved bronze coin of Constantine in my possession weighs 60 grains. It bears the legend,—*Constantinus Aug.*— On the reverse there is an altar with a votive urn upon it, and the inscription *Votis*. In the exergue, below the line, the three letters, P. T. R. (*Pecunia Treverorum?*) The head of the emperor is a marvel of engraving with a faint outline of a helmet, all very ornamental.

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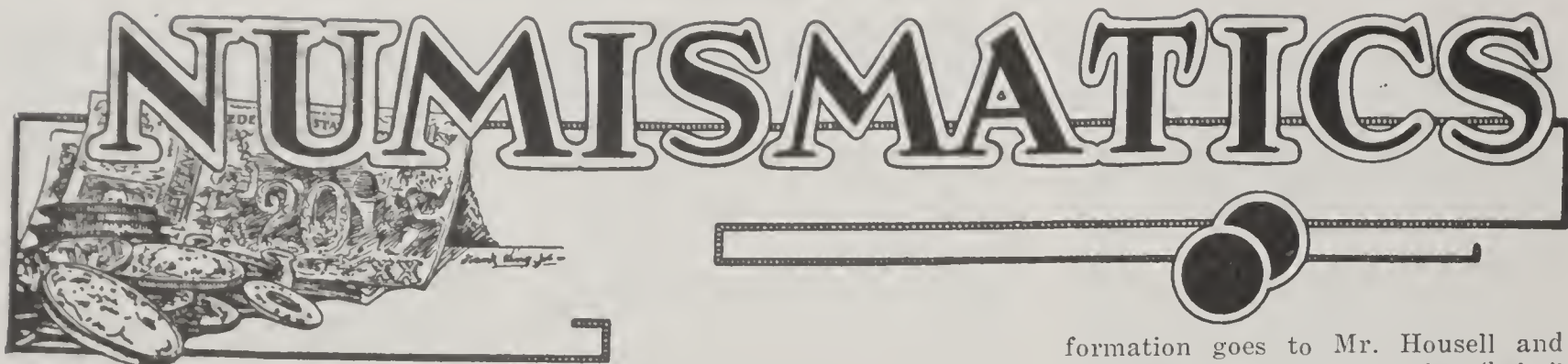
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# NUMISMATICS



## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

COINS illustrate the events of history, and they have an equally direct bearing on the beliefs of the nations by which they are issued. They are scarcely less valuable in relation to geography; the positions of towns on the sea or on rivers, race of their inhabitants, and many similar particulars are positively fixed on numismatic evidence.—H. A. Stanley. As Professor Norton said of coins, "infinite riches in a little room."

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S. Teasdale gives numismatists a beautiful thought and sage advice, and we, like him, should drop a few coins in our heart's purse:—"Into my heart's treasury I slipped a coin that time cannot take, nor a thief purloin. Better than the minting of a gold-crowned king is the safe-kept memory of a lovely thing."

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J. B. Craig of Pennsylvania contributes a very thin piece of wood about three-fourths inch square. On one side, in green, is printed "Redeemable for sales tax 1-5th cent. Paramount Service Station, Tenino, Wash." On the other side, in red, is the picture of a donkey, with 1935 above it, and "Is his face red" below. The odd little wooden token is accompanied by the following information: "The 'donkey money' has an historical and geographical setting. There are four different views and pictures of this lumber money with different questions. These are rare, with a catalogue valuation of twenty-five cents each. These were issued after the State of Washington passed the sales tax law. There were no tokens at hand at that time. This town, Tenino, famous for this sort of junk, conceived the idea of saving tax money, and confusion in figuring out the correct tax, took to the forests near at hand and printed these chips for local use. These people are in the heart of the largest lumbering region of North America. These chips were later supplemented by the familiar cardboard tokens, then the metal ones of today."

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Mister Numismatist longs for bungalow quarters and a better-half,

while Miss Numis hopes for a "grand" man and plenty of pin money.

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Fifty years hence numismatists will be asking "Why are the early multi-minted copper coins of the Netherland Indies so scarce?" At that time a searcher for the information in old copies of numismatic journals will find the answer in this number of HOBBIES. A newspaper item reads:—

### NETHERLANDS TO SELL

#### OLD COPPER COINS

Old copper coins of the Netherland Indies which are being gradually withdrawn from circulation will be shipped to the Netherlands for sale to foreign buyers as old copper, according to a report to the department of commerce by the office of the American trade commissioner at Batavia.

It is reported that no less than 720 million old copper coins will eventually be withdrawn from circulation.

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It will no doubt surprise most of you to learn the 20 cent piece was coined for the convenience of the people of the Pacific Coast who were in need of such a coin to make change. In verification, consult your statistics and you will find of the 1,353,890 twenty cent pieces coined,—1875-1876, —1,155,000 were from the San Francisco mint, and 143,290 from Carson City. The 1876 CC, although of 10,000 mintage, is very rare.

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Don't fool yourself, women folks are very observant and appreciate the historical value of ancient coins. An excerpt from a letter to me from a woman who had made her first visit to a coin club meeting:—"Several interesting items were on display by the various members. One was ancient Roman coins. Characters on the coins had hats on like the women of today wear; or have you noticed the hats these days?"

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Bob Sherman writes:—"We have a coin club started at Trenton, N. J. It is still a baby, but quite lusty at that. Members are invited from the surrounding country and we have well attended meetings. Credit for its

formation goes to Mr. Housell and Mr. Niven." Good luck to this "baby" club, and may it soon outgrow its baby clothes.

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A newspaper item says "Hungary presents a token"; makes a small payment on the debt owed to the United States. Uncle Sam's token collection is still far from complete.

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This description of a Cleopatra coin will interest the women folks: reads like an item from a fashion sheet. "Draped bust of Cleopatra to right wearing broad diadem; hair gathered up in a chignon above neck; wears ear-rings and necklace."

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Associated Press item from Tientsin on January 14 states: "'No candy, thanks,' means 'keep the change' in Tientsin where candy is being used for money because copper coins have been hoarded out of circulation.

"Street car conductors have met the lack of small change by giving a piece of candy—supposedly worth two coppers—in change for each 10-copper note presented for the 8-copper fare."

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You are not slanging your money when you call it spondulics, you are numismatizing it. Spondulics has its etymology-cal family tree dating away back. It is believed to have descended from a small gold coin used by Portuguese slave traders and called by them Spondylus Macutus.

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If your hobby is collecting odd names for monies and some one mentions "drink-money", don't negative your head and say "You are all wet". One of the rules of the Mint issued in 1825 was; "The allowance under the name of drink money is hereafter to be discontinued, and in place of it three dollars extra wages per month will be allowed for the three summer months."

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I believe it was Teddy Roosevelt who advised, "Speak softly—but carry a big stick"; or was it "Trust the Lord—but keep your powder dry." Anyway, he had nothing on our early solons. They had the utmost trust and confidence in the Mint employees, but put the fear of God in their hearts.

In Extract From The Rules and Regulations Adopted For The Mint,



Jan. 1st, 1825, signed by Samuel Moore, Director, is included:—The 19th Section of the Act of Congress, establishing the mint, passed April 12th, 1792, is in the following words:—Section 19, and be it further enacted, that if any of the gold or silver coins, which shall be struck or coined at the said mint, shall be debased or made worse as to the proportion of fine gold or fine silver, therein contained, or shall be of less weight or value than the same ought to be, pursuant to the directions of this act, through the default or with the connivance of any of the officers or persons who shall be employed at said Mint, for the purpose of profit or gain, or otherwise, with a fraudulent intent, and if any of the said officers or persons shall embezzle any of the metal which shall at any time be committed to their charge, for the purpose of being coined, or any of the coins which shall be struck or coined at the said Mint, every such officer or person who shall commit any or either of the said offences, shall be deemed guilty of Felony, AND SHALL SUFFER DEATH.

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Even the more-than-average collector often thinks of the Continental notes (of "not worth a Continental" fame) as the Adam of paper currency. The Continental note may have been banished from its Edenic finan-

cial garden for falling for the wiles of the inflationary serpent, but it is not the father of paper-kind. Before me as I write hangs on the wall a one Kwan bill, the paper made from mulberry bark, issued during the Ming Dynasty in China nearly 600 years ago, and still in a good state of preservation.

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Stamps may be old and mellow at 50, furniture antiques at 100, but when you look at metal money you are looking backward 4000 years, and when you think of paper money you are thinking 600 years in reverse.

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Colonial coins old? Shucks, in comparison to the 4000 year old Chinese "spade" money, those coins are still using safety pins to hold up their trousers. And our green-backs have nothing to croak about when compared to the 600 year old Kwans of the Ming Dynasty of China.

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Dad criticized the sermon. Mother thought the organist made a lot of mistakes. Sister didn't like the choir singing. But they all shut up when little Willie piped in: "Still it was a pretty good show for a nickel."

—Valley Times, Pittsfield, N. H.

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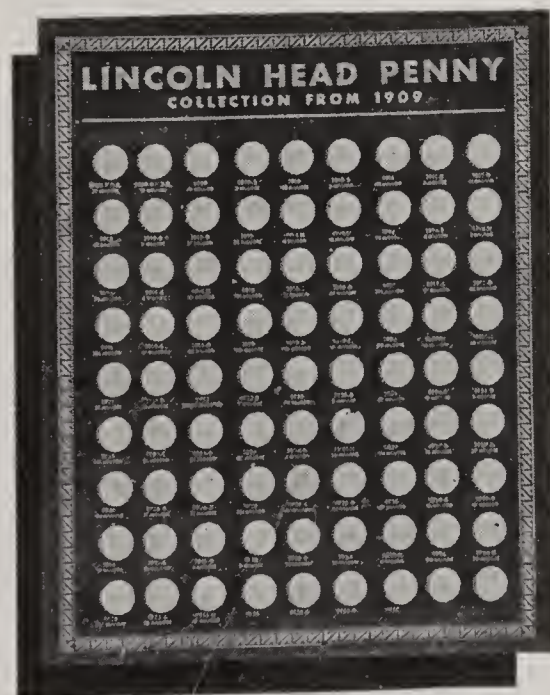
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## Recollections of an Old Collector

By THOMAS ELDER

### OLD TIME SALES AND THE NEW

**T**WENTY-FIVE or thirty years ago Charles Steigerwalt used to come to New York and hold his public sales at 32 East 23rd Street. Steigerwalt was the whole show, all except the auctioneer. He did all the bidding, all the bookkeeping, all the exhibiting of coins, all the lugging of heavy boxes which had once held cigars over the long route between Lancaster, Pa., and New York. There he sat in the sales room with Dan Kennedy, the auctioneer, and between them and occasionally one or two onlookers ran through an enormous number of lots. It sure was a one-sided affair so far as its conduct was concerned. Today how different. We have the sales holder, the auctioneer and at least four clerks, two of them extras, to assist with the sales, which are today complicated affairs besides the simplicity of 1910 and 1911. All these present adjuncts add to the sales holder's expenses, which are indeed big. Much has to change hands and at fairly good prices to enable him to make anything, while such things as rent, which at 32 East 23rd Street, was \$75 for a whole floor, is now \$100 to \$150 for a single room. And printer's bills—then 75 cents per page, are now nearer \$3 per page. Who benefits? Well the reformers think labor is still getting the short end of things. But I say clerks and labor have been the biggest beneficiaries, all of which the reformers will say is a fine thing, but still losing sight of the question as to whether present trends tend to reduce or help employment, or to keep men in business or put them out of business. The reformer thinks only up to a certain point, after which his usually superficial mind is a blank leading him into a realm of childish dreams. No the coin business in large cities isn't as simple a matter as formerly, while the mail order dealer has the edge on him in smallness of overhead. If the small one makes less he works and worries less, besides missing a good deal of the cloud of reports, statements, sales taxes, old age pensions, bookkeeping and overhead, not to mention the noise, dirt, pickets and confusion of a great city. A wonderful age even for a mere cataloger or coin dealer. Let us pray that he may survive it, or that anybody can do so.

### CONDITIONS STICKLERS

Today condition requirements of some collectors get a bit boring, and this tendency leaves a good many collectors shy of many coins they otherwise could possess and enjoy. For instance, there are some coins next to impossible to get in the best condition.

I get letters now and then asking me for a proof 1864 cent with "L" on ribbon. I'll wager there are not half a dozen known in this condition, so how could thousands of cent collectors be so gratified? Even the collector of small cents who requires each to be a brilliant proof is treading on ticklish ground where the getting is not so good. The last record for a brilliant proof 1877 cent was \$11. It was sold in September at my sale of the General McC Reeve collection, and I know what the coin actually brought.

Other coins seldom come in the condition required by some collectors. The U. S. silver striking machinery between 1794 and 1808 was such that more often large portions of the coins never were struck up boldly, yet that is what many collectors are looking for. Witness the badly struck 1794 dollars, and the badly struck 1805 and 1807 dimes. When these come up boldly on all sides they are rare indeed. When one goes into the field of ancient coins it becomes still harder to get coins well struck up on all points, due to defective dies and coin striking methods. The use of many and too powerful glasses is also a disillusionment. We saw one collector at our last sale who laid down three kinds of glasses on the table in examining some coins. He had to see the coins in four separate ranges of vision to be satisfied. As our old friend Henry Chapman often printed about his cataloging.

"Coins are cataloged by the naked eye." Tyros asked catalogers to use a strong glass. They have plenty to learn about numismatics and in most cases would apply the remedy to others when selling their own coins. Knocking dealers who assume they alone do correct rating of coins, and so state in their catalogs are somewhat of a joke. Usually these are recent in the field. They also assume they alone know the correct attributions of coins—another joke.

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oleon "as Emperor", and as head also of the "Republic of France." "Only four or five are known," stated the newspaper. After I had written the editor to correct this report, which had been cabled at great expense from Europe, the editor had the story run down and later labeled it as a canard, as it should have been. Gold coins of Napoleon are common showing him as Emperor of the Republic, a combination put onto his coins to please the different factions. Later he became sole emperor and did not allow his name to be associated with the word Republic, and so his title remained until the end in 1815. While most of his gold, which got into circulation is common, there are indeed some rare mint marks, coins struck in cities in limited number, which are worth many dollars to European collectors who know those mints. There is also a limited series struck in 1815 after he emerged from his captivity at Elba, only to be recaptured after Waterloo and consigned for the rest of his life to St. Helena.

The writer once had a set of fine silver medals in boxes, originals which had been presented by the Emperor himself to another King. Like other good things the set has vanished into a private collection and we may not hear of it again for forty or fifty more years.

Napoleon was doubtless the most be-medaled man in history. He struck many by his own orders and the designs and inscriptions show all the conceit and impertinence of some Roman emperors like Constantine the Great, who had the effrontery to have the word Max inserted on some after his name, calling himself Constantine the Great. As the song goes in Pinafore, "For he himself hath said it and it's greatly to his credit." Exit then dictators and would be dictators. We will talk about something more agreeable.

### Resignation of Harry T. Wilson

As we go to press we learn of the resignation of Harry T. Wilson as secretary of the American Numismatic Association, who has served the society in this capacity for many years. Commenting upon his resignation Mr. Thorsen writes as follows:

"Our members were no doubt surprised and shocked to read of the termination of our General Secretary, Mr. Wilson, to leave us as announced in our official organ, the Numismatist.

"We of the older membership can possibly better appreciate the splendid service of Mr. Wilson. We can likewise appreciate his indispensable value, accustomed to the multitude of details and always for A.N.A. progress. I am sure I voice the sentiment of a great multitude of our members in saying, let us prevail on Wilson to stay on the old job.

"The A.N.A. has become great and influential during his many years as our secretary. He has the ability and time, therefore with proper assistance he could materially assist in making it even greater.

"While serving the A.N.A. as Chairman and President for six years it was my greatest satisfaction to have the splendid cooperation and able assistance of both our faithful employees, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Duffield.

"I hope this item does not come under censorship for publication and that every member feeling as I do on Mr. Wilson's service to the A.N.A. will prevail on him, likewise the Board of Governors, that his valuable knowledge of our Association's work may be retained. Only by years of practical experience does such employee become as he has, indispensable.—Nelson T. Thorsen, Board of Governors.

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## Historical Characters Portrayed on Ohio and New Hampshire Bank Notes

By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

THE purpose of this study is to present a frequency list of historical characters whose portraits are on the paper money of Ohio and New Hampshire banks.

The author does not wish to imply that this list is complete. Some rare notes occasionally turn up whose existence was not known; and descriptions of notes no longer available may be erroneous, incomplete, or lacking entirely. Such factors would affect the list.

The historical characters portrayed on the paper money of Ohio banks, beginning with the most frequent, are the following: 1. Washington. 2. Wm. H. Harrison. 3. Webster. 4. Calhoun. 5. Franklin. 6. Lafayette. 7. Clay. 8. John Marshall. 9. Jefferson. 10. Cincinnatus. 11. Jackson. 12. J. Q. Adams. 13. Thomas Corwin. 14. Robt. Fulton.

An analysis of the Ohio list reveals that in the nine frequency groups there are fifteen historical characters ranging in frequency from about forty different notes with Washington's portrait to one note for each in the least frequent group. It is interesting to note that President Harrison, much of whose career is associated with Ohio, ranks second. Two others associated with Ohio are Cincinnatus and Corwin. Cincinnatus was the Roman patriot in honor of whom the organization of the Cincinnati was named,

and who in turn gave their name to the city of Cincinnati through the efforts of Colonel Israel Ludlow. Thomas Corwin was the Whig governor of Ohio (1840-42).

This historical characters whose portraits are on the paper money of New Hampshire banks, beginning with the most frequent, are the following: 1. Washington. 2. Franklin. 3. Webster. 4. Pres. Pierce. 5. Jackson. 6. Columbus. 7. Gov. Baker. 8. Henry Clay. 9. Gen. Cass. 10. Martha Washington. 11. Gov. Williams. 12. William Penn. 13. Zachary Taylor. 14. John Adams. 15. James Monroe. 16. W. H. Harrison. 17. Charles Carroll. 18. Gen. Jos. Warren. 19. John Marshall. 20. Gen. Stark. 21. Lafayette. 22. John Hancock. 23. Gen. Scott. 24. James Buchanan. 25. John Jay. 26. Millard Fillmore. 27. J. C. Calhoun. 28. J. Q. Adams. 29. Jefferson. 30. James Madison. 31. Van Buren. 32. John Tyler.

The New Hampshire list consists of about thirty-two historical characters ranging in frequency from about sixty different notes with portraits of Washington to one note with each in the least frequent group. Here again Washington leads the list and is portrayed about as often as all the others combined. Webster and President Pierce, both of New Hampshire, rank third and fourth, respectively. Other characters on the list associated with New Hampshire are Governor Baker (1854-55), Governor Williams (1847-

49), General Cass, and General Stark. The list seems to indicate that New Hampshire bankers went in for portraits of generals and presidents.

Of the New Hampshire bank notes, probably the most beautiful and interesting historically are those of the Piscataqua Exchange Bank of Portsmouth, N. H. The ten dollar note portrays not only busts of Franklin and Washington, but bears the portraits of the first ten presidents (Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, J. Q. Adams, Jackson, Van Buren, Harrison, and Tyler) arranged in order on an X. The one dollar note bears a miniature portrait of President Monroe and, curiously, "promises to pay to James Monroe or Bearer" one dollar. The three dollar note bears in the center a large vignette of a ship building scene, which is still an important industry of Portsmouth. The five dollar note has two different portraits of Washington and one that is supposed to be that of Columbus. Some historians differ in regard to the identity of the latter. The twenty dollar note bears portraits of Washington, Penn, and Franklin; and "promises to pay William Penn or Bearer on demand" twenty dollars.

In summary, it may be said: First, that there are about fifteen important historical characters portrayed on Ohio bank notes and about thirty-two on New Hampshire bank notes. Second, of these, only four or five on each list are portrayed on more than ten different notes. Third, the characters are of outstanding national or State fame.

For comparison of this study with the study of historical characters portrayed on Pennsylvania bank notes, the reader is respectfully referred to page 79 of June, 1937 HOBBIES.

### Our Readers Write

*How to Get Satisfaction*

DEAR MR. ROSS:

The average collector should try to obtain as many different kinds of coins as possible, a coin of each denomination from the different countries, each coin in the best obtainable condition. While collecting complete series of dates is a fascinating pursuit, yet it takes time and money that might be used securing additional types. A collection of 1000 copper and silver coins dating from ancient times to the present is a good foundation collection and will give the true collector as much pleasure and satisfaction as a few high priced coins, and passed on to build on. It is almost impossible for one collector to secure every type and date of coins issued and the collector with only a moderate income should pass up the high priced items and spread his money on a type collection. As in the case of stamp collecting the true coin collector wants as many specimens as he can procure.





Specializing in and buying high priced pieces is the field for the wealthy and the coins in this category should be passed up by the average collector unless he can get unusual bargain prices.

Why should a genuine coin of ancient Rome in fair condition be worth less than next year's commemorative half dollar whose high premium price is already listed before the dies are made? Why should Lincoln cents be so high priced in comparison with ancient copper coins? I have seen a 1936 Lincoln penny listed at 20 cents.

Paper money collecting should also be encouraged among the newer collectors while this class of currency is still cheap. There are numberless items of Confederate and wildcat notes lying in old trunks, and as these now practically worthless bills once played a part in our economic history they are worthy of numismatic attention. There are many varieties of these, which with the notes of many banks that failed in the '40s and '50s, are now selling at from 10 to 25 cents, and in many instances these notes are specimens of fine engraving. Time and neglect have cut down the number of these bills and a boom in collecting would soon deplete the dealers' stocks and send profits up. Sooner or later activities will be extended to this field and the prices will go out of reach of the average collector.—*R. J. Walker, Connecticut.*

### The Maximilian Dollar

*From the Philadelphia Times, (1879)*

I have in my possession a Maximilian dollar, the well authenticated legend of which is as follows: When the last coinage was made, the die broke and the last piece was mangled, so that its remembrance to a dollar was hardly recognizable, and the piece was given to the Empress Carlotta as a memento of the incident. On examination of the mintage it was discovered that when the die was first broken, a small clip, like a gash, was made visible in the forehead of the effigy. The crack was enlarged in each succeeding piece until the thirty-second; the succeeding three pieces were badly broken, and the thirty-sixth was the illegible mass of silver now in Charlotta's possession.

When the discovery was made, it occurred to the workmen that the circumstances was an omen of some dire disaster, and the excitement was intensified when it was announced that Maximilian was thirty-two years old when he became Emperor of Mexico, and that he was then in the third year of his reign, and the belief obtained that the last mangled thirty-sixth piece indicated a tragic and terrible finale to the monarch. An American officer was in charge of the mint, and he immediately secured the pieces, one of which I have. I have seen a vast number of these dollars, but no other

with the broken die mark as described. Was the incident ominous? The history of the Emperor will make many persons so believe, for omens, and all the strange fancies which prevail now, have as many devotees as in the olden times, when magic, enchantment and diablerie were feared and believed.

Ferdinand Joseph Maximilian was born in Schonbrun, Austria, 1832, became Emperor of Mexico June 12, 1864, and was shot June 19, 1867. He was thirty-two years old when he assumed the throne, reigned three years and one week, was in his thirty-sixth year when executed. His body was mangled, and one ball entered his head at the exact spot where the silver burr made by the broken die shows on the forehead of the effigy. Was it prophetic of his tragic doom? I have told you the legend as it came to me from a reliable source.—*Dr. I. E. Nagle, Pennsylvania.*

### NUMISMATIC NOTES

Monticello, N. Y., has placed 4000 wooden two-bit pieces on sale. This wooden money is constructed of "Super Harboard" and consists of circular discs 3" in circumference. Each is good for 25 cents in trade in any store in Monticello. During the month of December, 1938, the Chamber of Commerce will redeem these 3-ply two bit pieces at full value, but it is expected that 75% of them will be out of circulation before the redemption date. The proceeds are to be used for publicity purposes.

On one side of the wooden quarter is inscribed "Monticello wooden money—Two Bits". Inside the circle are the words "The favorite resort town—Summer and Winter. Visit our new ski trails." The other side states that they are good for 25 cents in trade and will be redeemed for cash December, 1938.

The Associated Press from Washington on January 25th stated that the Treasury Department was replacing the Buffalo nickel with one honoring Thomas Jefferson, third President of the United States. The law says a new nickel design can be issued only every twenty-five years. That period was up February 21.

Secretary Morgenthau decreed the new nickel must show Jefferson's face

on one side and his famous home, Monticello, on the other. The design will be decided in a \$1,000 prize contest.

The mints turned out 164,832,570 new ones last year.

An item from Melbourne, Australia, states, "Australia is changing the designs of all its coins to emphasize the resources and characteristics of the country. While the king's head will still be retained on the face of all coins, the reverse will have such images as kangaroos, a ram's head, indicative of wool; and three ears of wheat, symbolic of that crop."

Counterfeit paper money is more than 800 years old, and samples of the first "phonies" will be on display at the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition at San Francisco.

Coins are often the only historical records which we have of nations which have long passed away and which would have been buried in oblivion but for the coins which bear the names of kings and records of events relating to the countries whose money they once were.—*G. C. A.*

The Unknown Hero of numismatics is the man who invented metallic money, some thousand years ago. It is claimed the first coins were of three parts gold and one part silver. The temptation to "water" the coins with silver was too great to resist, and to prevent this, King Croesus had gold and silver coins minted separately.

Kloster Chorin, a town near Berlin, Germany, is to have a coin museum of numismatics through the efforts of Herr George Weineck, a former guide at the Berlin Art Gallery. Weineck collected the coins during his spare time. He will be the proprietor of the museum when it is finished. There will be more than 3,000 exhibits in the museum.

In 1891 S. M. Swenson, Texas cattleman and New York banker, presented the University of Texas with a safe containing 5,000 coins and medals. The donor hoped that it would form the nucleus of a large state coin collection. The safe had never been

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<b>SILVER</b>					
Half dollars—Regular	\$408,000.00	.....	.....	\$408,000.00	816,000
Half dollars—Arkansas Centennial	3,003.00	.....	\$3,002.50	6,005.50	12,011
Half dollars—Oregon Trail	3,003.00	.....	\$3,002.50	6,005.50	12,011
Half dollars—Texas Centennial	2,502.50	\$2,503.00	2,502.50	7,508.00	15,016
Quarter dollars	96,000.00	.....	.....	96,000.00	384,000
Total Silver	\$512,508.50	\$2,503.00	\$8,507.50	\$523,519.00	1,239,038
<b>MINOR</b>					
Five-cent nickels	.....	.....	30,000.00	30,000.00	600,000
One-cent bronze	248,880.00	56,000.00	25,000.00	329,880.00	32,988,000
Total minor	\$248,880.00	56,000.00	55,000.00	359,880.00	33,588,000
Total domestic coinage	\$761,388.50	\$58,503.00	\$63,507.50	\$883,399.00	34,827,038



opened until recently, when J. W. Calhoun, president ad interim of the University of Texas, had the safe opened for the first time in twenty-five years. It seems the combination of the safe had been temporarily lost, and finally a locksmith was called in, who opened it.

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*Haroun-al-Raschid Coin*

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Haroun-al-Raschid, famous Mohammedan warrior and king, has been sung about in song, story, and history; his times are filled with adventures! And he has left us coins of his realm by which we may recall those times. One such coin was the Derham which, through variations, is today preserved, in a somewhat changed form, in the Greek drachma. Thus the Greek coin has a derivation from the earlier Arabic, that language which has contributed so much to humanity.

Haroun-al-Raschid stands, today, as one of the world's great warriors; an Arabian who dared defy, and war against the Eastern Roman empire (A. D. 781-805), bringing fame upon himself and glory to his name.

Haroun-al-Raschid, or Anglicised to Aaron the Just, is one of the outstanding heroes of the "Arabian Nights" tales, was a patron of literature, passionately fond of his sister Abassa, and a friend to that great Frankish emperor, Charlemagne.

It happened one day that the Eastern Roman Emperor, Nicephorus I., disgruntled that the Mohammedans should have won such powers, while his own country was diminishing in power, defied Haroun. "Restore the fruits of thy injustice, or abide by the decision of the sword," he wrote to Mohammedan.

Haroun-al-Raschid must certainly have smiled. His reply included these words: "Thou shalt not hear, thou shalt behold my reply!"

War came in Asia Minor at once, and the Black Flag of the Mohammedan seemed to sweep everything before it. A hundred and thirty thousand soldiers marched against, and upon, then into, the boundaries of the Eastern Roman Empire in Asia Minor.

## Coins and Men

By MONTGOMERY MULFORD

At last Nicephorus I was only too glad to retract his defiance and purchase peace with Haroun-al-Raschid.

The coins of Raschid, unpicturesque, bearing Arabic inscriptions, are nevertheless pertinent reminders, for us, of these medieval times when the Black Flag of Aaron the Just was carried everywhere so successfully as to make all tremble against whom it was carried.

The coin collector possessing a piece of money of Haroun-al-Raschid's can pride himself on having a bit of contemporary evidence, a relic of the times of that Mohammedan Arab, and feel as proud of such a possession, as another, with an ancient bone, or other relic of bygone ages.

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# NUMISMATICS



## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

NOTHING-TO-DO is the longest and hardest job in the world; it lengthens time, yet shortens life. Nothing-to-do is a breeder of nervousness, which is a sure lengthener of time and shortener of life. Coin collecting is the remedy; it shortens time and lengthens life. An evening spent with nothing-to-do is a week long; a holiday afternoon is a month. Visiting your old coins, an evening is but seconds; a half holiday but minutes. Coin collecting is a time killer. While on the subject of time, let's repeat Einstein—"When you sit with a nice girl on a bench for an hour, you think it is only a minute; but when you sit on a hot stove for a minute, you think it is an hour." Be a bench sitter, not a stove squirm-er; collect coins.

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Numismatics has debunked what we supposed to be an accepted axiom, "You can't take your money with you when you die." The natives of Nigeria (Africa) according to Believe Or Not Believe Ripley, believe the scars on their bodies may be removed after death and used as money to pay the ghosts for food. They take their money with them. I am curious to know how many groceries a vaccination scar will buy in Nigeria ghost land.

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"Away down South in Dixie" is numismatic. In the decade of the '30-s when wild-cat money was rampant, the ten dollar French Dix bill issued by a New Orleans bank was as "good as gold" and taken at "face" throughout the South. From this Dix note the South received the name of Dixie land.

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"Sitting still and wishing don't make no country great; the good Lord sends the fishing, but you must dig the bait." Morris Freedman, a Massachusetts lad, agrees. About two years ago he decided to collect street car tokens, and with true Yankee spunk, he "went after them," letter-ed the entire country, and now has one of the largest collections in

the world. "It is surprising," he says, "how fellow hobbyists responded, and how even the Street Car Companies themselves helped me out." Now, Mr. Freedman wants to know if he is a numismatist, or a class by himself, a street-car-tokenist. Ma Numismatist already mothers a large brood under her wings, but will no doubt find room for the new "stranger in our midst," the tokenist.

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A Scotchman gave a penny to a blind man. He needed the pencil. Exchange.

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Little girls will be interested in the legend preserved on coins of the Isle of Man, as told in a paper read recently before the Westchester County Coin Club by Arthur H. Brooke. "In 1709 James, the Earl of Derby, issued cast copper halfpence and pennies, the first of the triquetra coins of Man. On the obverse of these coins is the eagle and child above a cap, and the motto, "Sans Changer," which is the crest and motto of the house of Stanley. The eagle with a child in his claws has an interesting origin. The story is that Sir Thomas de Lathom, early in the fourteenth century, was walking with his wife in a wild section of his estate when they heard the cries of a baby girl, which they traced to an eagle's nest high on the cliffs. The servants rescued the baby and, having no children of his own, Sir Thomas adopted her. When she died she left a daughter named Isabell, who married Sir John de Stanley. In memory of the event he made the eagle and child part of his crest."

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From an item in a circular of the Albany Numismatic Society, it seems the farthing was "slipped" into the Bible by the translators. "In the Bible we find reference to two sparrows being worth a farthing (Matthew X:29). In this instance the term farthing must have been used in translation purely for the sake of convenience and understanding, since

the denomination farthing was unknown in Biblical times. In the new American version of the Bible the term "cent" is used. It is interesting to note that the current farthings of Great Britain, South Africa, and Irish Free State, all display small birds."

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Our paper currency is not just a "scrap of paper," but something to brag about. Charlton Edholm in Photo-Facts says: "Certainly American paper money has led the way in quality, strength, and practical usefulness. The paper money of most countries is so much lighter, easier to tear; and in fact in some countries it is nothing unusual to receive a lot of paper notes that have been torn all the way across, pasted with strips of transparent gummed tape. The American dollar retains world supremacy in more ways than one."

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Coin collectors of St. Louis, Mo., have organized a club called the Missouri Numismatic Society. It is interesting to note that the Missouri half dollar is being used as the emblem of the Society. Fifteen charter members comprise the organization group. The following is the slate of officers for the coming year: Arthur B. Kelley, Pres.; Erick Newman, Secretary; Carl Lounsbery, Treasurer and A. Thilking, member recruiter.

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Bob Sherman of New Jersey is the nation's numismatic "Believe it or Not." He has probably the largest collection of freak coins, coins so freakish it is hard to believe they came from the mint. Bob himself is not a freak, notwithstanding his hobby. Asked the cause of some of the recently coined cents being streaked with different colors he said: "I visited the mint in Philadelphia and discovered the streaked appearance of the cents is caused by "dross", or slag, on top of the molten copper at the time of the pouring."

Mr. Sherman says of coins of broken planchets: "These breaks are caused by bubbles in the metal, and vary from hair-lines to large cracks and gouges."

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Numismatics is well represented biblically. One of the most interesting and odd looking biblical pieces is



a coin of Asia Minor, about 1700 years ago, commemorating the flood. One side of the coin shows a chest or ark floating on water. On the ark is written Noah. Two grown persons are shown in the ark, and two standing outside. A dove is shown, flying, above the ark, carrying an olive branch. This commemorative coin of the great deluge indicates the rulers of that day believed Noah's famous boat ride was not a "fish" story," and that the world's greatest navigator's tale was a "True Story."

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Collector—"Have you a book on coins as to their relationship to music, musicians or musical instruments?"

Librarian—"No, we have no such book. And as to myself, the only thing I know about musical coins is that fascinating ring they have when dropped."

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We all doff our hats to our own worn and battered coins of early history for the things they have gone through; Bob Sherman takes his hat off also to the "foreigners" that have seen service in the following comment: "I have always been crazy about geography, and I can certainly get a lot of 'kick' from a worn worthless foreign coin. I sit around staring at them, wondering who han-

dled them, what they were spent for, who brought them to these shores and so on. Uncirculated pieces always seem sort of cold to me, but each of these that have been around a while, could certainly spin a spell-binding tale of sorrow, happiness, customs and conditions of far-away lands."

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Few know that "putting it over on the little lady" by changing "losses" to "winnings," after "time out" with the boys in a friendly game of poker, so as not to have future sessions vetoed, has a numismatic origin. Mark Antony dropped in, uninvited, on his neighbor Armenia to sit in on a little War game, his favorite diversion. It was Mark's unlucky day and the Armenian Army robbed him of everything but his hasty-retreat. Cleopatra was sitting up for him. She may have been a clinging vine, but Cleopatra had a business head. Antony, deciding deception the better part of discretion, reported to her, "I went, I warred, I won." and to emphasize the proof (?) of his tale he caused to have minted a coin, the obverse showing Cleopatra with the inscription, "Cleopatra, Queen of Kings and Descendant of Kings;" and the reverse, or "tales," the pic-

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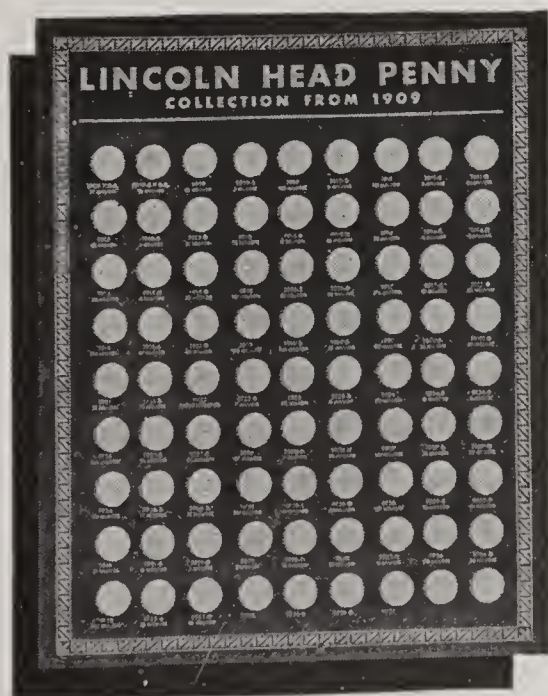
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ture of Antony with this deceptive writing, "Mark Antony, Conqueror of the Armenians." The Cleopatra-Antony coin is commemorative of the precedent set by Mark Antony some two thousand years ago of "putting it over on the little lady," a custom still in vogue.

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Numismatics knows no frontiers; "foreign" countries are numismatic districts, and boundaries are division lines with no "don't cross" signs. The only "enmity" between the districts is the rivalry to outdo the others in propagating numismatic information.

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An odd custom of China is the placing of a coin in the mouth of the corpse before burial. The looting of graves for mouth pieces became so prevalent the Chinese now use imitation coins for the purpose. Another odd custom is burning paper money during funeral processions, the superstition being a guardian spectre arises from the ashes to accompany the spirit in its celestial trip. Modern China now discredits this pipe dream, and has stopped wasting good money by sending it up in smoke and has substituted imitation money at the funerals.

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Whenever new-civilization boasts of its wonderful inventions, paper, gun-powder, printing presses, coinage and-so-forth, China knocks its ears down with, "I used them when—you were still celebrating cave-manning anniversaries. Infringements on my patents." They now claim we are plagiarizing their ghosts, and prove it too with their numismatics backed up with their ghost coins. Stuart Mosher in *The Story of Money* tells us: "A superstition long prevalent in China regards the use of the ruler's real name. It was never placed on coins because the Chinese believed doing so would enable evil spirits to cause harm to befall the ruler. So during the lifetime of the ruler a fictitious or flowery name called Nien-ho was used on coins. Some rulers even changed their fictitious names many times so that the evil spirits could not locate them."

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**The Housing Problem.** Much has been said and written about how to keep a coin collection, and on the subject of cleaning coins. There are

some different ideas about the matter, but collectors generally agree that tin boxes are better than cigar boxes to hold coins permanently or over long years, and they cost little to make. Also, white paper and white envelopes should be avoided. Tarnish-proof or colored paper and envelopes are better to keep coins in for a long period. Tissue paper is of little use. Clear cellophane envelopes are sometimes used to hold the coin inside the coin envelope, and thus the coin may be handled and looked at without touching the coin itself. Glass topped coin cases and coin cabinets are necessary when much exhibit use is to be made of a collection. It is advisable to never clean a coin, especially a valuable coin, except at the hands of experts, as the subject requires considerable experience because of different problems.—*M. H. Bolender.*

### "Copyrights"

The true test of a story, a poem, a song, is its merit to outlive its copyright. How few, if any, of the many new books, poems, songs, turned out each year have occasion to exercise their copyright protection. Appealing only to the imagination of an entertainment loving people they are temporarily popular but not lasting. To outlive its copyright, a book, a poem, a song, must have a "something" that appeals to a "something" in humanity deeper than imagination, more solid than mere entertainment. That "something" might be likened to humanity's inner soul, a something common to the high and low, the rich and poor, the learned and unlearned, alike. To outlive its copyright a literary work need not be a classic, but it must possess "soul appeal". So long as sweethearts hold their trysts, Romeo and Juliet will endure; so long as "boys will be boys," Rob Crusoe and Huck Finn will be heroes; so long as men are adventuresome, *Three Years Before the Mast* will be read; Don Quixote is typical of man's serious levity; *Pilgrim's Progress* is still religion's best seller. The *Village Blacksmith* and *Barefoot Boy* will be recited so long as a "Little Red School House" remains. *Home Sweet Home* and *Auld Lang Syne* will be favorites so long as the mating season continues to produce homes and friends.

Our early coins with the large bust of Liberty with the flowing hair have that "something" that appeals to that "something" in every true American that makes him re-dedicate himself to the task of retaining in this country the ideals that "Miss Liberty" of the flowing locks fought so hard to acquire. This enlivened typicality of Liberty far transcends the placid busts of our modern coins in its appeal to our reverential respect for the

sacrifices of our Revolutionary heroes and heroines in their struggles for independence.

The early Liberty head may lack the classical artistry and harmonizing embellishments of that on our present coins, but it has "what it takes" to appeal to that "something"—that inner soul—in every patriotic American; something deeper than adorned artistry; beauty un-adorned, a beauty that withstands the ravages of friction, the blots of tarnish, the changes in style. The coin with the un-adorned beauty, the bust of our early conception of Liberty, has out-lived its "copyright"; it is not a fad coin, dependent on the caprices of changing moods for its perpetual popularity.—*Frank C. Ross.*

### New Haven Numismatic Society

Coin collectors meeting in New Haven recently reorganized the defunct New Haven Numismatic Society. The society, taking the name of the old organization which was founded in New Haven in 1862, is also making plans to participate as a unit in the Tercentenary celebration in New Haven this year. Twenty-six joined up at the reorganization meeting.

Among those present at the organization meeting were: Dunbar Scott, President of the Hartford Society; Charles B. Miller, and O. M. Noakes, also of Hartford; and Mr. Grasso and Mr. Oliver Hill of the Waterbury society.

Officers elected for the coming year, all unanimously, were as follows: William C. L. Hofmann, president; William F. Hasse, vice-president; William C. Sanders, secretary; Norman Bryant, of Ansonia, treasurer; and Henry Fortier, also of Ansonia, society auctioneer.

Meetings will be held the last Friday of each month at 8:00 p. m., at 280 Elm St., New Haven.

### Grand Rapids, Mich., Tax Tokens

A hitherto unpublished Tax Token of Grand Rapids, Mich., was issued in Jan., 1937 for the collection of the sales tax on milk. This was the only way the dealers could collect the Michigan 3% sales tax on daily milk purchases. These cardboard one-mill tokens are larger than a half-dollar. They proved unpopular with customers and delivery men as they were easily soiled, became unrepresentable, and needed frequent replacement.—*C. N. C.*

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A sign in a Chicago neighborhood restaurant: "Don't be afraid to ask for Credit, our refusal will be polite."—*Bostonian.*



# Recollections of An Old Collector

By THOMAS ELDER

IT is pleasing to note that American collectors are seeking out the fascinating subject of our early American coins, patterns, obscure early private issues or patterns, colonial or continental coins. The earliest must include the coins of the West Indies, even the Danish-American series, the latter most interesting because the word "America" positively appears on this series, and at about the time of our Revolution in 1775-83, and to more recent times, known as the Danish West Indies. The early Mexican issues come into this series, starting with the coins of Charles and Joanna about 1536, and including their coins for Dominica, which includes a copper 1/4 Real of rather crude workmanship, but still early American. The Bermudas, Sommer Islands are added also to this series and illustrated in Crosby's work on the early coins of America. In many sales are offered fine early Massachusetts Pine and Oak Tree money, of the greatest interest because the first issue struck in what is now the United States. The state coins are being picked up in the best condition today, especially those of Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Jersey, of which there is a large variety to select from, obtainable for not exorbitant prices. The Rosa Americana series is very interesting, starting in 1722, also the Woods series, refused in Ireland and sent to America, bearing dates of 1722, 1723 and 1724. There is no collector so humble as not to be able to afford a fair line of these early American coins, with their odd legends, styles and quite a variety of dates to select from. As to dies there are many, and cent collectors may be vied with by the seeker after the above coins. Since the death of great collectors like Dewitt Smith, S. Hudson Chapman, Henry Chapman, Hillyer Ryder, Waldo Newcomer and others, the collecting of these coins has experienced a great loss. The Jenks brothers of Philadelphia were fine collectors of this series. Who realizes that there were as many as 20 or 25 different dies of the Fugio cent, a coin obtainable today in good condition for about a dollar. But it is so, although the furore after speculative coins in the past few years has obscured the interest in some of our Colonial and Continental coins, which is a misfortune both to collecting and to collectors. I fear it is somewhat the same in coins as it is in stamps. Some collectors keep alert to notice what others are collecting and go and do likewise. In

other words there seems something simian in this habit, which should be discouraged and some degree of independence and originality should be encouraged and applauded in collecting.

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*A Coin Collector Thinks Numismatic!*

BACK in the 1860's we read of a certain Dr. W., an Oriental traveler, whose love for coins and curiosities amounted almost to a mania. He seems to have thought numismatically, and had a penchant for coin terms. Yes, this over 70 years ago, showing the hold of the hobby on some people. One day he purchased some fine peaches from a huckster on Broadway, New York City, New York, those old days of the Farmers and Drovers Bank and other agricultural institutions when Wall Street was known more for business than finance.

Huckster: "Fine peaches, sir."

Dr.: "Are they proof?"

Huckster: "D'ye mane are they fresh?" Ah, indade, sir, they just came from the traes."

Dr.: "Uncirculated, bright red, got the natural bronze on them. You're sure they are not restrikes."

Huckster (bewildered): "No sir. They are as fine a fraestone as ye iver ate."

Dr.: "Wrap up six without bruises, and be careful not to rub them."

Upon another occasion, a dog was accidentally killed in the street, and a bystander remarked to the Doctor, sympathetically:

"Poor brute! What a shame! Splendid dog! Killed instantly."

"Yes," replied the Doctor, "Good dog, bad impression, and I must say a most perfect die!"

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*The Dead Numismatic Great*

The ranks of Numismatists have suffered so greatly recently through the deaths of great coin collectors, that it is well to reminisce a bit. The great of 25 years ago, where are they? The J. C. Mitchelsons, the Newcomers, the Brands, the Dewitt Smiths, the H. C. Millers, the Haseltines, the Ryders, et al. But more poignantly comes the later news of such as Elmer Sears, Henry and Hudson, Chapman, Col. Green and Mr. Garvan, the Green competitor at the famous Lawrence sale in 1929, in New York. Not only is Green dead, and Garvan, but also Henry Chapman, who bid for Garvan fabulous prices for rare private gold coins at that sale, running up a bill well over \$32,000, in one single

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session. All these have passed on in comparatively recent times and one rises to ask, who have taken or will take their places? How do modern collectors compare with these old veterans, as to what they collect and what they pay for rare things? There are, it is true, some who might be called heavyweights so far as big spenders are concerned, but of those who compare with the above names there are few as regards general comparisons. It may be that the times prevent the big collecting of 25 years ago. We live in a new age, and there is large question as to its merit, as the spirit of collectivism, socialism and communism even seem somewhat rampant today.

### Auction Prices

Some prices realized at the 113th sale of M. H. Bolender, Orangeville, Ill., held Jan. 29:

Vespasian, gold aureus, v. fine, \$21.  
1843 Russia platinum, 3 roubles, fine, \$20.

Edward III gold noble, ex. fine, \$20.  
Henry VIII gold angel, fine, \$16.

Elizabeth gold sovereign, v. fine, \$30.

James I gold Unite, ex. fine, \$13.  
1653 Commonwealth gold Unite, ex. fine, \$20.50.

1641 France gold Louis d'or, v. fine, \$12.

1776 Continental Currency pewter dollar, fine, \$31.

1928 Hawaii-Cooke half-dollar, unc., \$11.50.

1936 proof set, \$4.25.

1923 silver dollar, "D" mint unc., \$10.25.

1915 Panama Pacific half-dollar, unc., \$11.

1635 Poland crown, v. good, \$6.50.

1578 Campen klippe 42 stuivers, v. fine, \$10.25.

1843 half-cent, unc., restrike, \$40.

1873 two-cents proof, \$10.25.

1792 Martha Washington half-disme, v. fine, \$40.

1794 half-dime, fine, \$18.

1795 half-dime, unc., \$10.

1797 half-dime, 15 stars, v. fine, \$9.25.

1801 half-dime, fine, \$11

1801 dime, good, \$8.50.

1809 dime, fine, \$6.50.

1796 quarter, ex. fine, \$29.

1806 over '09 half-dollar, fine, \$11.50.

1862 "S" mint half-dollar, v. fine, \$7.

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Sommers Island shilling (1616-19), good, \$57.50.

1652 New England shilling, pine tree, v. fine, \$18.25.

1652 Mass. pine-tree 6-pence, fine, \$13.50.

1857 pattern cent in copper, flying eagle, ex. fine, \$13.

1864 pattern cent, proof, \$12.

1865 pattern cent, \$16.50.

1921 Missouri half dollar with star, unc., \$22.

1922 Grant half-dollar, with star, unc., \$48.

1934-35 rare Boone, D & S, pair, \$43.

### Jean Foy Vaillant

Money is a medium of exchange—and a chronicler of history. The following are excerpts from a biographical sketch of the famous French numismatist and scholar, Jean Foy Vaillant (1632-1706), appearing in in October 1877 number of *American Journal of Numismatics*.

"Vaillant published a history of the Kings of Syria under the title, *The Empire of the Seleucidae, or the History of the Kings of Syria* arranged according to the testimony of coins. This portion of ancient history had been obscure, and it was only known that after the death of Alexander the Great, Seleucus, one of his generals, founded the kingdom of Syria, and that this endured two hundred and fifty years, until Pompey reduced the country captured by arms from Antiochus Asiaticus into a Roman province. The sacred books of the Maccabees, and the history of Flavius Josephus, give us some knowledge of those kings, but still more was unknown, and perhaps would always have remained so, had not Vaillant, by the aid of coins, made amends for the silence of historians and rescued their names from oblivion. And thus twenty-seven kings who ruled over Syria, from Seleucus L, to Antiochus XIII who was conquered by Pompey, were brought to light. The chronological order of these rulers, reckoned from the various epochs in which their coins were struck, he most brilliantly established, and by the same means he restored their names, which had been corrupted in other books,



A FEW 1937 ENGLISH COINS

Courtesy Guttag Brothers.

Left to Right: English, King George VI, 1937, one shilling, silver. Reverse has crown and lion design, other identifying inscription. English, King Geo. VI, 1937, new copper penny, bearing customary profile portrait and seated figure with upright sceptre in hand and other identifying inscription. English, 1/2 penny, 1937, George VI, bronze. Reverse, ship design, and identifying inscription. English, 1937, 2 shillings, George VI, silver, portrait. Reverse—crown, and floral designs underneath, identifying inscription. English, 1937, King George VI, 3 pence, nickel, portrait design. Reverse—three flower design and identifying inscription.



and the respective origin of which was unknown.

"He showed his wonderful sagacity in detecting a fact, worthy of notice, concerning the era of Seleucidae. Expert chronologists had agreed in referring this to the first year of the 117th Olympiad, but they differed as to the season of the year in which the era began. Vaillant fixed it at the vernal equinox, because Antioch, the metropolis of Syria, in placing on her coins the years of her own era, always represented the sun on them by the sign of Eries.

"He followed his work on the History of the Kings of Syria with an explanation of the bronze coins of the Emperors, Empresses, and Caesars, struck in the Roman Colonies. In this work ancient geography is illustrated; the sites of cities are established; their respective founders are indicated; the distinguished men who were born in them; the tutelary dieties worshiped in them; the games celebrated; the prerogatives conferred upon them; the diverse names they bore; and the various occurrences of their history are all related.

"Vaillant also published the History of the Egyptian Kings confirmed by coins. Historians give us greater knowledge of the Egyptians than of the Syrians, and yet, for some unknown reason, the coins of the Ptolemies are far more difficult to discriminate than those of the Seleucidae. They do not contain the surname of the kings—if we except those of Evergetes and Philopater,—which one does not find surrounding their effigies, but on the reverse, in the emblem of some diety. However great the mystery in which they were wrapped to others, it was not so to Vaillant. He ascertained the chronological order of fourteen kings who governed Egypt through a period of two hundred and ninety-four years, from Ptolemy, son of Lagos, who made himself its master after the death of Alexander, to Cleopatra, in whom the family and kingdom of the Lagidae became extinct; and he determined by means of their coins, the length of many reigns not mentioned by other authorities, a feat which will surprise those not initiated into numismatic mysteries.—*M. F.*

## German Money Before the Empire

By RAYMOND J. WALKER

**F**OLLOWING the Napoleonic wars the various German states had numerous systems of coinage. These various systems were in operation until the empire was established following the successful campaign of Prussia against the French Empire of the Third Napoleon. An idea of the values of these various coins and other mediums of exchange is valuable to the collector of early German postage stamps and to the numismatist as well.

The silver coins in use in Prussia were the dollar (thaler) containing 30 silver groschen, or 24 gute (good) groschen. This coin had a value of about 3 shillings English money. In Brunswick and Hanover accounts were kept in good groschen until the empire was established. Minor coins of Prussia were 3 einen thaler (one third thaler) containing 10 silver groschen; 6 einen thaler (one sixth thaler) equal to 5 silver groschen; 12 einen thaler (one twelfth thaler) equal to 2½ silver groschen; 24 einen thaler or one twenty-fourth thaler and ein silber groschen (one-thirtieth thaler). The copper coinage of Prussia consisted of 1, 2, 3, and 4 pfennige pieces. Twelve pfennige were equal to one silver groschen.

The paper money (Kassen Anweisungen or Scheine), was the most convenient, portable, and extensive currency in Germany. It was issued in notes of the value of 1 thaler, 5 thalers, 50 thalers and upwards. As

they were often called in, travellers were always advised to avoid keeping them too long as there was no way of redeeming them once they had been called for redemption. An old type of these notes was called in early in 1855 and a new type was issued bearing two half draped juvenile figures standing in pedestals. This issue of 1855 was printed on white paper.

About the middle of the nineteenth century it was compulsory to keep accounts in silver groschen (S. gr.); but in private transactions, the old division of the thaler into 24 gute groschen was made use of especially in shops. Prussian gold coins of this period were double Friedrichs d'or which were marked 10 thaler and were valued at 11 thalers and 10 silver groschen in exchange for smaller coins or paper and were equal to 1 pound, 13 shillings and 7½ pence English money; the Single Friedrichs d'or was marked 5 thaler and was valued at half the Double Friedrichs d'or and the Half Friedrichs d'or was marked 2½ thaler and was valued at half the single.

The silver dollars or thalers of Prussia were used in exchange through all the states of the Zollverein as was the paper currency, but not the gold, nor the subdivisions of the dollar.

Some of the states of the Zollverein, especially those of South Ger-

many, retained the gulden or florin as the unit of coinage in which exchange was figured at 7 gulden to 4 thalers. The gulden, however, was not a popular coin in North Germany. Likewise the Kassen Scheine of other states did not pass readily in Prussia. The traveller in Germany at this period found himself subject to a headache if he wanted to get his money's worth for the double Friedrichs d'or (not of Prussian coinage), though these were current at 11 dollars 10 silver groschen they were marked X thaler; and the silver pieces marked 10 and 20 kreutzers, and which were current at that value in Austria, were worth 12 and 24 in Bavaria, Baden, Wurtemberg, Frankfurt, and wherever the currency consisted of gulden of the value of 20d. English.

In the year 1856 the value of foreign coins in Prussian dollars and silver groschen was as follows:

	Dollars	S. gr.
An English sovereign	6	25
An English shilling	0	10
French Louis d'or	6	10
French Napoleon	5	10
French piece of 5 francs	1	10
French piece of 1 franc	0	8
Dutch Willem or 10 guilders	5	20
Dutch ducat	3	5
Dutch guilder	3	17
German Kronthaler (crown)	1	16
German Conventions thaler	1	11
Bavarian or Rhenish gulden	0	17
Zwanziger, or piece of 24 kreutzers	0	8

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of custom-house visitations on the frontier of each state, however insignificant; while the vexatious impediments thrown in the way of trade were enormous. Some states situated in the interior of the continent, were compelled to pay 10 or 12 different transit duties for every article they imported or exported.

An association, called Zoll-Verein (Toll Union), headed by Prussia, was formed for the furtherance of trade by consolidating the different states of Germany, and uniting them under one system of customs. The members of this league agreed to adopt the same scale of duties, to abolish all intermediate custom-houses, and to divide the profits among the states of the union proportionately to the population of each. In consequence of this, the restraints which impeded the communication from one part of Germany to the other were removed. The conforming states were Prussia, Bavaria, Saxony, Hanover, Wurtemberg, Baden, Brunswick, Hesse-Darmstadt, Cassel, Nassau, Frankfurt, the Duchies of Saxony and Mecklenburg, and Principalities of Anhalt, Oldenburg, and Schaumburg-Lippe. Hanover and Oldenburg did not join the Zoll-Verein until January 1854. Holstein and the Hanse Towns were members of a minor dissenting league of their own. The Zoll-Verein also helped to approach a unity of currency. The states forming the union entered into a money convention in 1837 and agreed on a new basis of valuation under the term *Sud Deutsche Wahrung* (S. D. W.), at the rate of 24½ gulden to the mark of fine silver, the mark of fine silver weighing 233.855 grammes. The term "Vier-und-zwanzig-gulden-Fuss" implied that the mark of fine silver was coined into 24 gulden or florins. The florins coined by the Zoll-Verein were nearly at this rate, differing only 2 per cent. The mark of fine silver was equal to 14 Prussian dollars or 24½ florins of South Germany or 20 florins of Austria or 60 lire Austriache. The thaler was equal to 1¾ florins and the florin to 4/7 thaler.

Bavaria, Wurtemberg, Baden, Frankfurt, and Saxony issued coins at the rate of: piece of 2 thalers equal to 3½ florins, or 1/7 of the mark. It bore on one side the head of the sovereign, on the other the words "Vereins Munze."

In Saxony after the formation of the Zoll-Verein the same currency as Prussia and other States of theverein was used. The law made it necessary to keep accounts in "neugroschen" as the silver groschen of Prussia was called. The gold coins of Saxony were the Augustus, or piece of 5 dollars equal to 16s.5½d. English money, the Half Augustus at

half that value and the Ducat valued 9s.5d. English money. Kassen Scheine or paper money consisted of the notes of Saxony as well as those of Prussia. The Leipzig and Dresden Railroad Company was also allowed to issue paper money, but it was not taken at the public offices nor at the theatres.

In Nassau, Baden, Darmstadt, Frankfurt, etc., accounts were kept in florins or guldens. The florin was valued at 1s.8d. English money, and contained 60 kreutzers or 3 kr. equaled 1 d. Gold coins were rare in these states but here were found the Caroline (or French Louis d'or) equal to 11 florins and 6 to 12 kreutzers and the Ducat equal to 5 florins, 24 to 36 kreutzers. Among the old silver coins were the Crown, Kronthaler, or Brabant Thaler equal to 4 florins, 42 kreutzers or 4s.1½d. English money; pieces of two and one florin and the zwanziger or 24 kreutzer piece (2½ zwanzigers to 1 florin); ½ zwanziger, and ¼ zwanziger.

In early times the florin was an imaginary coin, and did not exist as a piece of money. The name zwanziger properly applied to Austria alone, where the coin went for 20 kreutzers, and bore upon it the figure 20, the ½ zwanziger or zenner passed for 10, and the ¼ for 5 kreutzers; while in Bavaria and Wurtemberg the same coins passed respectively for 24, 12, and 6 kreutzers. Brabant dollars (originally struck by the Emperor of Austria in the Low Countries) were a very common coin, current without loss throughout South Germany.

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These subjects will be featured in our July issue, published June 10-20, and we shall be glad to hear from HOBBIES readers who have made special studies of these phases of collecting, or who can shed light on some associated phase. Bits of knowledge assembled here and there contribute to the general knowledge of antiques.

Dealers who have antiques to sell within these, and associated classifications, will find this an excellent number in which to participate.

Some interesting material has been promised for this number, and it should equal in interest some of the other special numbers of HOBBIES such as the timpiece, Lincoln, and musical instrument issues, in which so many of our readers have participated.

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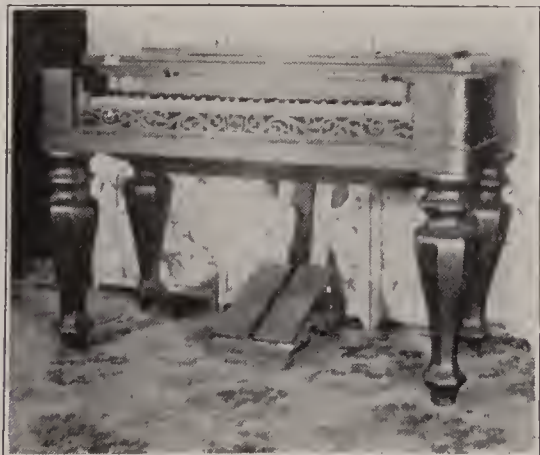
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## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

NUMISMATICS covers a multitude of phases, one being things musical. This is right and proper, for music and money have evolved hand in hand through the ages along with mankind, money the provider and music the comforter, from the cave-man era to the present. It is therefore fitting that this great nation should memorialize music on its coinage. The Cincinnati commemorative half dollar, 1936, has on one side the Goddess of Music holding music's symbol, the lyre; and on the other side the head of Stephen Foster, America's troubador, who gave us, amongst other folk songs, My Old Kentucky Home.

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Brazil pays its homage to music in a 300 Reis coin (1936). On one side is the head of Carlos Gomes, the famous Brazilian composer; on the other side is a very beautifully designed and distinctly cut picturization of a lyre.

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The Irish Free State, (1928), recognized "the harp that once through tara's halls" with a design of Ireland's traditional favorite musical instrument, the harp, on some of its coins.

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Ancient Greece honored Apollo by placing his seven stringed lyre on a part of its coinage.

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Germany has a Beethoven coin.

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Austria paid its homage to the three great musicians and composers, Schubert, Mozart, Haydn, by issuing for each a two schilling silver commemorative coin, Schubert, 1928, Mozart, 1931, Haydn, 1932, each coin bearing the head of the composer. The coins are very beautifully designed and executed, and are worthy mementos of the famous musicians.

This we confirm by examining coins in the collection of R. Thomas, Chicago

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Some of our Continental notes were ornated with a peculiarly designed harp, the designer evidently being from the "auld sod."

The singing insect, the cicada, was given a place on some of the ancient Greek coins. In a musical contest a string of Eunomus's cythera snapped, and it was the cicada that furnished the missing note.

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"Nero and his violin." A numismatist has this to say of the fiddling Roman;—"The coin in my possession is of copper, struck in the year 64 A. D. The figure on the reverse is Nero, dressed in the robes of Apollo, and singing to his own accompaniment on the lyre. Considering the reputation Apollo has as a musician, this coin is highly flattering to Nero as a musical performer."

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Nations like people pride themselves on "being first". Our neighbor to the South, Mexico, holds the palm for "numismatic first" in the twin American continents. In 1536 the first mint on the Western continents was established in Mexico City. Medals were struck recently by the Mexican government commemorating the event, bearing on them the dates 1536-1936.

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### Question and Answer—

A problem from an Exchange for the numismatic arithmeticians to solve:— A man paid a bill of \$16.00 in 25-cent pieces and 5-cent pieces. If the number of coins were eighty, how many of each were there?

60 — 25c pieces and 20 — 5c pieces.

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Edward VIII's reign was too brief for England to have coins struck in his honor, thus creating a rather peculiar circumstance. He may go down in history as the Coinless King in so far as the Mother country itself is concerned. A few minor coins of Edward VIII were struck by British colonies. An exchange says:—"The head of George VI's coins significantly faces the same way as that of George V. Normally the head faces the opposite way in a new reign. Nothing, it was clear, was to be left in George VI's reign which would serve to remind the public of Edward VIII's brief period of experimental courage."

The American populace may be a product of a melting pot of many nations, but as large as the country is, the United States coins speak but one language. It is a custom of little Belgium, on similarly designed coins, to have its name on some written in Flemish, and on others in French. Thus you will find a 5-franc BELGIE and a 5-franc BELGIQUE.

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The Heart of America Numismatic Association of Kansas City celebrated its fourth anniversary February 14th with a Valentine party. The H. A. N. A. is recognized as one of the most initiative and aggressive Clubs around the circuit, due to the "Go-get-em" spirit of its more than fifty members. It has just started a campaign to add twenty-five new members in 1938, and it is a safe bet it will make the grade.

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When Miss Coinie heard the story of the girl whose boy friend gave her a one dollar bill to augment her collection of Washington portraits, it gave her an idea. She repeated the story to her "steady" and added that she was collecting Lincoln portraits. Instead of the expected five dollar bill with Lincoln's portrait thereon, Mr. Scotch handed her a Lincoln penny.

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The term "Cart-wheel" as applied to our big silver dollar is an adopted name. The name was originally applied to the English two-penny piece because of its size, and dates back nearly 150 years.

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Penny collectors should look carefully at their bronze 1864 cent and see if it has the letter L on the ribbon hanging from the bonnet. The 1864 cent with the L is worth considerably more than the 1864 cent without it. The L is for J. B. Longacre, the mint engraver.

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We never miss the water until the old oaken bucket comes up empty, and coin collectors did not appreciate the gold coins until they were buried beyond resurrection by the government. Now everyone has the gold fever with no apparent cure. Dr. Numis says the fever must run its course. From present indications, "running



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 worse.

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Now don't worry and fret and stew  
 because your coin doesn't look like  
 new; consider the things that coin  
 went through before it finally came  
 to you. Behind that coin, though  
 worn and holed, are adventures eer-  
 ier than have e'er been told. "Hats  
 off" to old coins, not because of their  
 beauty, but for having perfectly per-  
 formed their duty; they may show  
 many scars of wear and tear, but that  
 very condition makes them "rare."

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The Chinese people are numismatic-  
 ally minded. We think our early coins  
 have "tales" to tell, but just think of  
 the "tales" of the Chinese money.  
 If Japan and China would appoint  
 numismatists as diplomats, their  
 troubles would soon be ironed out.  
 They would soon be swapping coins  
 instead of bullets.

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Historians use coins in studying  
 epochal eras of nations. A thousand  
 years hence historians will thank the  
 unintentional foresight of our pio-  
 neers for the privately minted gold  
 coins of the Forty-niners, and the  
 coins of the Mormons. The first, rep-  
 resentative of the epochal California  
 gold rush; the other, evidence of the  
 establishment of a new religious sect.

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S. S. Sherwood (Smoothbore) of  
 Connecticut strikes a hopeful note  
 anent the new Jefferson-Monticello  
 nickels. "I see we may have a new  
 nickel—well, look out for a bunch of  
 new collectors—nothing stimulates  
 coin collecting as does a new issue.  
 Immediately it calls to mind—what  
 have the previous issues been? It  
 does not take much to start one off.  
 I should judge by advance in prices  
 these last few years that coin collec-  
 tors have increased greatly in num-  
 ber. It seems to me to be really a  
 profitable hobby."

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Judging from the many inquiries it  
 is evident the average collector is all  
 at sea, and excusably so, as to the  
 entries in dealers catalogues and auc-  
 tion sales lists, "1922 cent with 'D'"  
 and "1922 cent without 'D.'" The "D"  
 of course is the Denver mint mark.  
 According to governmental statistics  
 only the Denver mint coined 1922  
 cents, and accordingly every 1922  
 cent should bear the letter "D", but  
 strange to say many of the cents have  
 turned up minus the mint letter. As  
 the Philadelphia mint uses no mint  
 mark, the uninitiated takes it  
 for granted the letterless 1922 cent  
 is from Philadelphia, yet as a matter  
 of fact none were issued there. Most  
 likely the absence of the "D" mint  
 mark on some of the Denver coins is  
 due to a portion of the die forming  
 the "D" becoming filled and the let-  
 ter "D" failing to record itself.



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 exhibit for local display in connec-  
 tion with Independence Day. Mr.  
 Scharlack has a large collection of  
 United States coins.

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Whitman Publishing Company, Ra-  
 cine, Wisconsin, report they have ad-  
 ded three new coin cards to their line  
 of coin cards for collectors: one for  
 the Shield Type Nickel; another for  
 Large Cents dated 1793 to 1825; and  
 the third for Large Cents dated 1826  
 to 1857.

## Bidding for 1941 Convention

The Heart of America Numismatic  
 Association, Kansas City, Mo., will  
 send a delegate to the American Nu-  
 mismatic Association's National Con-  
 vention in August in Columbus, O.,  
 intent upon bidding for the 1941 con-  
 vention for Kansas City. Frank C.  
 Ross, who needs no introduction to  
 numismatic readers of HOBBIES, is  
 secretary of the Kansas City club.

## A. N. A. Convention

Preparations are being completed  
 for the convention of the American  
 Numismatic Association to be held in  
 Columbus, O., August 13 to 18, by  
 the Columbus Numismatic Society,  
 under the leadership of Victor B.  
 Chambers, president of the Columbus  
 group.

Elmer C. Henderson, Columbus, is  
 in charge of exhibits. James Cooper,  
 president of the Ohio Numismatic As-  
 sociation, known as "Genial Jim" on  
 WBNS, has been broadcasting some  
 of the features of the show.

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One million standard silver dollars weigh 412,500,000 grains, or 859,375 ounces troy, or 71,614.58 pounds troy, or 58,928.57 pounds avoirdupois, or 29,464 "short" tons of 2,000 pounds avoirdupois each, or 26,307 "long" tons of 2,240 pounds avoirdupois each.

In round numbers the following table represents the weight of a million dollars in the coins named:

Standard gold coin .....1-2/3 tons.  
Standard silver coin .....26-3/4 tons.  
Subsidiary silver coin .....25 tons.  
Minor coin, five cent nickel ....100 tons.

—From American Journal of Numismatics, October, 1882.

## Recollections of An Old Collector

By THOMAS ELDER

### Auction Sale Business

WHEN the writer started to hold auction sales in 1903, there were only two or three auctioneers, or catalogers of coins at auction, in the country. There was Chapman of Philadelphia, and Low of New York, and the younger Frossard who was just winding up his career as a cataloger. One or two small mail catalogers, such as Morey of Boston, there were also. But what a change today! Dozens of catalogers holding small or larger sales either by mail or at public auction in New York, Boston and elsewhere. After Frossard quit there was only one cataloger in New York—Lyman H. Low, until the writer started his sales. The U. S. Coin Company started sales in New York a few years later. Now several catalogers are holding sales in New York, some of whom were not born when the cataloger started his sales in 1903 at Pittsburgh. If this multiplicity of auctioneers continues, there bids fair to come a time when there will be a coin sale for every other collector of coins in the U. S. A. It goes without saying also that the profits of these new-comers will be less as the years go by. What with social security, old age pensions, ad-

vanced city rents, sales tax reports, N. R. A. days printing charges for making catalogs, advanced cost of postage for both sealed and circular mail, and advanced costs in about everything else, will make the coin sale competition so fierce that one will be able to make more money in almost any other trade. Both coin collecting and stamp collecting draw speculative interest both privately and at the coin sales, while collectors aren't one bit more generous with their commissions than they were 25 years ago. In fact there is today a very keen competition at price cutting for selling coins on commission which may bring havoc as to profits for these particular individuals. For this reason it is doubtful just what money a city cataloger will be able to make a year hence, if anything at all. Even the cost of auctioneers has advanced considerably. In old days \$12 to \$15 per day was the rate. It is about double that today for the cheapest auctioneer. Clerkship has of course greatly advanced in cost. The above presents a subject fruitful for thought.

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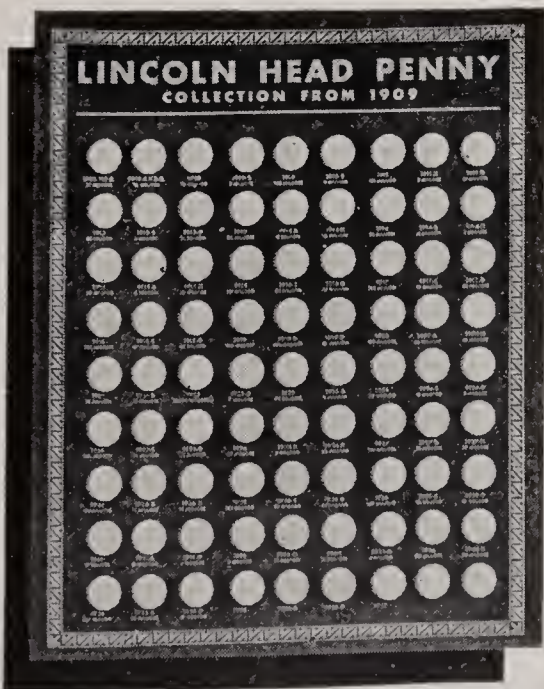
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1794 silver dollar, very fine, \$175.  
1836 Gobrecht dollar, proof, \$35.00.  
1839 silver dollar, proof, \$77.00.  
1858 silver dollar, proof, \$40.00.  
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1855 \$1.00 gold unc., \$2.90.  
1889 \$1.00 gold, unc., \$3.00.  
1858 Eagle cent. L. letters, proof sold for \$11.00.  
1871 1c bronze, unc., red, \$5.00.  
1877 cent, bronze, fine, \$2.00  
Foreign gold 1897, Spain. 100 pesetas, unc. \$40.00.  
Japanese Oban, very fine, \$135.00.  
1837 City of Pittsburgh bank note, \$3.00 sold for \$2.60.  
1792-5 Lady Godiva half P, Sold 70c to \$1.50 apiece.  
London Gazette for 1798, newspaper sold for \$5.00.  
1730 Newspaper sold for \$3.00.  
Revolutionary War newspapers sold \$3.00 apiece.  
Proof \$3.00 gold 1870 sold for \$12.50.

*By the Lot or Piece?*

Unfortunately for coin catalogers, there are two styles of grouping and selling coins at auction. The catalogers who hold stamp sales where lots are sold as one, or so much for all, in a lot continue to offer coins and medals in the same way. This directly hits the old-time methods of the Chapmans, Low and other seasoned catalogers, as well as most of the modern catalogers, who sell so much per piece in a lot.

The writer recently butted into an individual who insisted that he be

allowed to return lots which he intended to bid on so much for the entire lot in each case. We refused his request as we print all over our catalogs and bid sheets how we execute and sell such lots. Furthermore to add insult to injury, this party advises me that he is "stopping payment on two checks which he sent" for that portion of the sale which had single pieces in each lot, on which he bid and accepted the lots as his. We are deliberating further action against him for his inexcusable error, because his claim has not a leg to prop it up. It is, of course, unfortunate that there should be two systems of selling in vogue. But we hold that the per piece scheme has been in vogue for at least forty years and that is enough of a practice to fix the plan in the mind of any collector who will use a bit of judgment.

*Half Cents Disappearing*

Although only one U. S. half cent was coined for over 100 of the large U. S. cents, it has taken a good many years to convince many collectors how really scarce they have become. But this fact is now becoming apparent. Recently the writer wanted to buy 100 common half cents, and he shopped around among all the dealers in the east, and could not obtain 100 of them from anyone. It was only by getting a few from several dealers that he could complete the hundred pieces. Yet many collectors today treat half cents as if they were things they could always obtain hundreds of, when it comes to bidding on them at public sales. A 1793 half cent is a dozen times more rare than a U. S. cent of 1793, for the above reason. Some of the younger generation of collectors never owned a half cent, and it is believed a certain number of the new style collectors never saw a half cent. Discontinuing the coinage in 1857, that makes any half cent over 81 years old, which is older than the small copper nickel cents which appeared, starting in 1859, the kind with the Indian head. The present furore seems to be for U. S. silver, some U. S. gold and particularly small U. S. cents, the prices of which have sharply advanced in the past year or so, while prices of the half cents have not advanced in several years. The writer remembers two or three 1794 and 1795 half cents, brought over to the U. S. from England some thirty five years ago by Frank C. Higgins. They showed some redness on them. I don't believe I have seen any since showing red, at least, very few; this shows how very rare a half cent before 1800 would be if it showed original red.

When is the taste of collectors going to shift from small cents to half cents? Commemorative coins became a furore a few years ago. This furore seems to be abating. The young-



er collectors seem to go in for the cheaper priced U. S. coins. It may be cause of lack of money to buy the big rarities with. Don't forget we live in a speculative age, and that speculation—the question of what one

can sell coins for later on,—enters into many transactions today. The writer believes in the half cents and their future. We shall see if his views are shared by the other collectors.

## Scandinavian Coins On Exhibition

A COMPREHENSIVE display of Scandinavian coins was placed on display at the Newark, N. J., Museum recently as a feature of the current Swedish Tercentenary Exhibition. Part of the Frank I. Liveright coin collection presented to the Museum in 1925 by Mr. Liveright, a trustee of the institution, the selection includes more than one hundred coins of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden, dating from the 16th century.

Every Swedish ruler from Gustavus Vasa, founder of the Swedish monarchy, with the exception of his immediate successor Eric IV, is represented by a coin produced during his or her reign. From John III in 1568 to Gustavus V, present King of Sweden, the collection shows at least one coin from each rule. Copper, silver and gold coins are included.

A notable feature of the Swedish collection is its inclusion of four examples of plate-money from the 17th and 18th centuries. These huge square or rectangular slabs of pure copper were used as a medium of exchange in remote times before the metal was coined into convenient shape, and their use was apparently continued after introduction of coinage, as indicated by the dates of those in the Museum's exhibition. The pieces are stamped in the center and at each corner with an impression bearing the date and the monogram of the ruler. Largest is an 8-daler piece, measuring 12 by 24 inches and weighing 32 pounds, dated 1659 in the reign of Charles X. Other pieces of plate-money shown are smaller: ½, 1, 2 and 4-daler pieces dated in the 18th century in the reigns of Frederick I, Charles XII, and Adolphus Frederick.

Also shown are examples of Baron

Gortz' token money produced in the 18th century in an attempt to rehabilitate the country's finances which had been all but wrecked by the extensive wars carried on by Charles XII. These coins, made of copper, bear figures from classical mythology—Mercury, Mars, Phoebus, etc., and were given in exchange for silver with a guarantee of later redemption in the same metal. The experiment failed and the tokens were later withdrawn, but their showing today indicates the similarity of financial problems in the world in different periods.

Danish coins in the exhibition range from 1563 to 1927 and those of Norway from 1746 to 1910. An interesting feature of the Norwegian collection is the showing of iron coins issued during and immediately following the Great War.

Frank I. Liveright has been interested in numismatics for more than forty years and the collection which he presented to the Museum in 1925 has been added to from time to time, today consisting of several thousand coins, including specimens from every country in the world that has ever made them. Particularly valuable are the German and American collections, the latter including gold pieces in denominations from \$1 to \$20 from 1795 to 1925. Notable among these are the examples of "pioneer gold", coins privately minted in the gold fields of Alaska, California, Georgia and North Carolina during early days when gold was being mined in those districts and no government system was in force.

The Museum plans to show more of the Frank I. Liveright collection in coming months, as a step in its current series of collector's exhibitions.

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Denomination	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
<b>SILVER</b>					
Half dollars—regular .....	\$ 648,251.50			\$ 648,251.50	\$ 1,296,503
Half dollars—Arkansas Cen. ..		\$ 3,003.00		3,003.00	6,006
Half dollars—Oregon Trail ...		3,003.00		3,003.00	6,006
Quarter dollars .....	590,125.75			590,125.75	2,360,503
Dimes .....	327,050.30			327,050.30	3,270,503
Total silver .....	\$1,565,427.55	\$ 6,006.00		\$1,571,433.55	\$ 6,939,521
<b>MINOR</b>					
Five-cent nickels .....			\$30,000.00	30,000.00	600,000
One-cent bronze .....	180,665,000	45,800.00	25,000.00	251,465.00	25,146,500
Total minor .....	180,665.00	45,800.00	55,000.00	281,465.00	25,746,500
Total domestic coinage.	\$1,746,092.55	\$51,806.00	\$55,000.00	\$1,852,898.55	\$32,686,021

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## The Medal of the Last of the Stuarts

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THE last of the Stuarts, the once royal family of England and Scotland, was Henry Benedict Mary, Duke of York, Cardinal, and Bishop of Frascati. He was the second son of James (III. of England), commonly known as the Pretender. He was born at Rome, March 26, 1725; and after the failure of the attempt of his elder brother, Charles Edward, in 1745, resolved to enter the church. He was admitted to tonsure and minor orders by Benedict XIV., and created Cardinal in 1747. Clement XIII. consecrated him Bishop of Corinth "in partibus infidelium", and afterwards of the suburban see of Frascati, where he took up his residence. He also enjoyed, through the favor of the crown of France, the revenues of two abbeys, which he held in "commendam," as well as a pension from the Spanish court. The liberal charity with which he dispensed his income among the poor, and for the other charitable and religious necessities of his diocese, endeared him to his flock.

These resources were lost when the French Revolution caused an upheaval in European monarchistic circles. However, in the distresses of the holy see which ensued, Cardinal York sold his family jewels for the purpose of relieving Pius VI. in his necessities. On the occupation of Rome, he withdrew to Venice; but he returned in 1801, on the restoration of the Papal authority under Pius VII.

George III., having become aware of the failure of the Cardinal's former means of income, granted him a pension of 4,000 pounds per year, which he accepted, and enjoyed till his death at Frascati, July 17, 1817, at the advanced age of ninety-two. His monument, by Canova, in St. Peter's, was erected by order of the Prince Regent, afterwards George IV.

When Lord Cloncurry was at Rome, in 1803, he became somewhat of a favorite with Cardinal York, whom Lord Cloncurry always addressed as "Majesty," thus going a step further than the Duke of Sussex, who was on familiar terms with him, and always applied to the Cardinal the style of "Royal Highness." Among the Cardinals most favored attendants was a miserable cur dog which had the ear-mark's of a spaniel. This dog had one day attached itself to his Eminence at the gate of St. Peter's, an occurrence to which the Cardinal constantly referred, as proof of his true royal blood—the dog being, as he supposed, a King Charles spaniel, and therefore endowed with an instinctive hereditary acquaintance with the House of Stuart.

Lord Cloncurry on one occasion presented the Cardinal with a telescope of English manufacture which greatly delighted the exile. To show his appreciation the Cardinal presented the peer with a large medal struck in honor of his accession to his unsubstantial throne. Upon the obverse was the royal bust of Henry IX., with the Cardinal's hat, and the legend: "Henricus nonus Dei gratia Rex," and on the reverse, the arms of England with the motto: "Haud desiderii Nominum, sed voluntate Dei."

## Money Talks

Customer: "What about the short weight you give me for my money?"

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First Caddie—What's your man like, Skeeter?

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Hotel Guest—I say, porter, did you find a big roll of money under my pillow?

Porter—Yassuh, I did, an' I tanks you very much, suh.—*Windsor Star*.

The Wright Way (Dallas): The professor who sent his wife to the bank and kissed his money good-bye wasn't so far off at that.—*Christian Science Monitor*.

Nantucket threatens to elope with New York. There was an old man on a bucket; but his daughter, named Nantucket, who kept all his coin in Nan, ran away with a man—and as for the bucket, Nan tuck it.—*Boston Globe*.

According to the way an American thinks, if he can't save any money it isn't because he isn't making enough.—*St. Louis Star-Times*.

When men marry they get better halves, but not necessarily better quarters.—*Kansas City (Mo.) Star*.

The national park service has protested the custom of throwing money into Geyser pools, but we don't see much harm in it. It's fun for the tourists, and, besides, as far as we can see, they get as much back as we have from most of the other pools we've thrown our money into.—*Boston Herald*.

The buffalo nickel is to be replaced by one showing Thomas Jefferson on one side and his home, Monticello, on

the other. This would have been big news a few decades ago, when the nickel was important in commerce. Nowadays it's only something to be changed into sales tax tokens, and the design doesn't matter much.—*Kansas City, Mo., Post*.

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"The love of money is the root of all evil"—the lack of it, the root of most bitterness.—*Kansas City, Mo., Journal-Post*.

Long before money came into common use, salt was employed as currency and bills were often paid with the commodity. In fact, the word salary comes from the ancient Latin word, salis, which means salt. The Roman soldiers were paid their wages with lumps of salt, instead of coins, and hence salt came to mean the same as money.—*Robert Locke in Science Puzzlers*.

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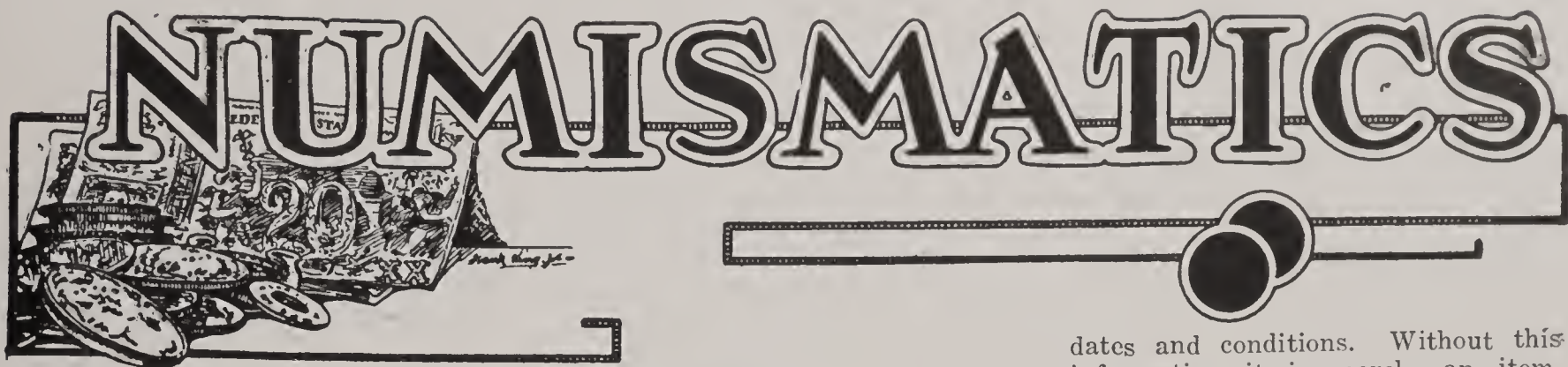
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## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

MAIL order coin auctions are getting to be "Big Business." It gives collectors in the most remote sections an opportunity to "attend sales" on an equal basis with "those present". It gives the bidder a chance of securing a coin at what he thinks it is worth instead of what the seller thinks it should bring. The dealer holding the auction does the bidding for you and often gets the coin for you at a less figure than your bid calls for. Your bid is not the "top" price, but the "stop" price. The auction catalogues sent out describe the coins very carefully and fully so you are not "bidding in the dark". Collectors find this an economical method of securing coins at a moderate price.

To those collectors who haven't access to numismatic literature, the catalogues are very useful and instructive. They give you an idea of what the senior collectors specialize in; the names, descriptions, and interesting data of various American and foreign coins. And you can learn a lot about the many famous medals that have been struck. Tokens, paper money, and coinage oddities are offered and described. The auction catalogues from the reputable dealers are veritable store houses of information. Another important thing is, at a small cost you can secure a list of prices realized at the sales, thus keeping you posted on the real value of coins.

Check over the advertisers and send for a catalogue from one of the auctions. You will be surprised and delighted, even though you don't make a bid.

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If you run across a medal, put it in your coin collection; medals and coins are side-partners, both recorders of history. Legends and debatable data enter into written history, but coins and medals record history "as is". Genial and effervescent Joe Stack furnishes this interesting incident of the blending of medals and coinage in Stack's latest auction catalogue:—

"Louis XVI Welcomes America into the Family of Nations. Medal in pewter upon Peace of Versailles, 1783.

Obv. Libertas Americana. America hanging shield of thirteen bars on the pillar of fame, before which King of France, seated, with hand pointing. Rev. Pallas standing with shields of France, England, Spain and Holland. Note: The U.S.A. bar cent was inspired by this medal."

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The many new collectors should again be warned against altered dates and mint marks. Alteration of coins is not a trick of the trade—it is a trickster's trade. Dumping alterations on a novice is getting money under false pretenses. If offered a rare coin by a stranger, at a ridiculously low price, no matter how amateurishly innocent he may appear, it is a ten to one shot "he knows his business." Examine the coin with a lens, and if still in doubt, turn the "bargain" down.

One example of how the game is worked:— A Philadelphia coin, no mint mark, 500 coined, value \$50.00. A Denver coin, "D" mint mark, 50,000 coined, value \$1.50. The "D" is skillfully removed from Denver coin and then it is offered as a Philadelphia "no mint mark."

Another ruse:— An 1838 coin is worth \$1.50; an 1833 worth \$50.00. The final 8 is altered to a 3, and there you are.

There may be more sound judgment than guess work in what Olin Miller says about Judge Numismatic:—"If you'd make all close decisions by tossing a coin, you'd probably be just as well off in the long run."

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While deepening a cellar in Bloomsburg, Pa., recently, workmen dug up fifty-seven old gold coins. The article states the coins were worth \$1,140, but fails to say whether the valuation is face or premium. If premium value, we well may ask, "Says who?" Experience has taught that reporters' measuring sticks for computing premiums are, as a rule, rather unreliable. The news is interesting, as the 57 varieties may upset the values of like coins now supposed to be very rare. Reports of such finds should include

dates and conditions. Without this information it is merely an item, with it, a scoop.

EDITOR'S NOTE: A later newspaper report says additional \$20 gold pieces were found in the cellar, making a total of 149 instead of 57.

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A few years ago mention was made in this column of an old wharf bond issued by Kansas City. It has bobbed up again.

In 1857 Kansas City issued \$10,000 in bonds, 10% interest, payable quarterly, to improve the wharf, the same to be liquidated from wharf receipts. For five years the interest was met regularly. With the Civil War, reconstruction period, hard times, increased railroad facilities, and what-not, the wharf bonds became forgotten in the shuffle. A few years ago one of these \$500 bonds turned up in the hands of a Kansas Citian, and was looked upon merely as an interesting relic of pre-Civil war steamboat days on Missouri's Old Man River.

Early this year the owner of this bond filed suit against Kansas City for principal and compound 10% interest, aggregating \$800,000. Interest *IN* money and interest *ON* money both work while you sleep, but with different results. Kansas City tax payers' interest *in* the old bond is not so vital as the interest *on* the bond. The owner of the bond looks on it with due "interest", while the tax payers look on it with "undue interest." The courts will decide the distinction between due and undue interest.

In the meantime I would advise that you check up on those scraps of paper in your memento box and see if you have an old bond of "due-interest."

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A senior medal collector says prices of medals have advanced, an indication of added popularity in the hobby and an added number of medal collectors. He has noticed it particularly in auction sales; most of his bids, though reasonable, are "topped."

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Howard H. Kurth in a paper read before the Albany Numismatic Society tells how to figure the date on Mohammedan coins:—"It should be remembered that the Mohammedan era is reckoned from the hegira, or



flight of Mohammed from Mecca, an event which occurred in A. D. 622. In order to convert a Mohammedan date into the approximately corresponding Christian date, add 622 years to 97% of the Mohammedan date. The 3% deduction is necessary to compensate for the shorter lunar year used by the Moslems."

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## Miss Liberty

Away back there in 1880 a prominent numismatist had this to say about the seated Miss Liberty on our dollars and half dollars. Get out your coin and see, as you read, if he pictures it correctly.

"The aesthetic worthlessness of the goddess of Liberty on these coins is evident; as to her artistic value, it may be called less, for there is no life in the figure, and a study of its anatomy will demonstrate that no life is possible in a being of such construction. The idea of Liberty, so dear to us, is here represented by a figure seated; her head turned towards her right shoulder, a movement which naturally ought to bring her chin nearly over that shoulder; but, on the contrary, by an inexplicable fancy of the artist (?) her head remains entirely over her left shoulder. As to her limbs, they are if possible, still more extraordinary; they are without any kind of modelling, and the left arm, curiously bent, is hanging to the "wand" that the Latins called the Rudis or Vindicta, and a little object which must be intended for the cap of Liberty. But the most astonishing part of the anatomy of the goddess is certainly her right leg, which, instead of being attached to the hip of the imaginary being, is simply fixed to her dress; so that, when our goddess will take off her dress, supposing that goddesses do so, she is sure to take off her leg at the same time."

June 1876 number of *Galaxy* has this to say about the same Miss Liberty:

"That young woman sitting on nothing in particular, wearing nothing to speak of, looking over her shoulder at nothing imaginable, and bearing in her left hand something that looks like a broomstick with a woolen nightcap on it—what is she doing there? What is the meaning of her? She is Liberty we are told, and there is a label to that effect across a shield at her right, her need of which is not in any way manifest. But she might as well be anything else as Liberty; and at the first glance she looks much more like a spinster in her smock, with a distaff in her hand. Such a figure has no proper place upon a coin."—*American Journal of Numismatics* (1876-1880).

## COINS AND MEN

By MONTGOMERY MULFORD



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ON Friday, November twenty-second, the year 1633, about the hour of ten o'clock in the morning, a small band of colonists sailed from the Isle of Wight and arrived at what was subsequently named Point Comfort, Va., on the following twenty-fourth of February. "The Lord be praised for it," one of the colonists wrote, shortly afterward, back home to friends in England.

From thence the colonists sailed upward, north of the Potomac (the contemporaries spelled it 'Patoe-meck'), and settled. There, with permission from King Charles I., and by his request, was called Maryland, in honor of his Queen, Henrietta Maria.

The first Lord Baltimore, George Calvert, had been permitted to make the settlement; but, dying ere the charter was issued, the possession of Maryland and its charter passed to his son who became Cecil, the second Lord Baltimore.

Cecil at once sent two hundred men who established a settlement at St. Mary's, and which for a decade longer than half a century was the capital of the province. Later Annapolis was made the capital city. The city named after the Lord Proprietors, Baltimore, was not to be founded until 1729.

"Our town we call Saint Marie's," Leonard and George Baltimore are credited with writing back to their brother in England (Cecil), "and to avoid all just occasion of offense and color of wrong, we bought hatchets, axes, and a quantity of some thirty miles of land, which we call Augusta, Carolina . . . We have been upon it but a month and therefore can make no large relation of it. Yet this much I can say of it already: For our own safety we have built a good strong fort . . . We have planted since we came, as much maize as will suffice (if God prosper it); it is about knee high above ground already."

By 1659 Maryland was becoming a prosperous colony, and it had its



own coinage. A mint in London, for instance, struck off the Lord Baltimore pennies, one of which is pictured with this article.

The colonists had sailed to America in two ships, named the 'Arc' and the 'Dove,' arriving in America in 1634; and with them they brought bracelets, combs, beads, cheap trinkets as well as knives and hatchets. They were a wise group; they would trade knives and trinkets to the Indians, in return for furs, food, friendship! They sailed to Virginia first, and from English colonists there, the future-Marylanders purchased fruit trees, chickens, cows and sheep. Thus, when they founded St. Mary's, they were well supplied, well-fed, and with sufficient material and commodities to establish an immediately successful colony. This was so unlike the experience of such groups as the Pilgrims of New England.

With hatchets, knives, and trinkets they purchased their large area of land which was spoken of in the letter to Baltimore in England. So from the first they were able to settle down; and from the beginning they prospered.

### Holmes on "coins"

Nothing lasts like a coin and a lyric. Long after the dwellings of men have disappeared, when their temples are in ruins and all their works of art are shattered, the ploughman strikes an earthen vessel holding the golden and silver disks, on which the features of a dead monarch—with emblems, it may be, betraying the beliefs or the manners, the rudeness or the finish of art and all which this implies—survive an extinct civilization. Pope has expressed this with his usual Horatian felicity, in the letter to Addison, on the publication of his Treatise on Coins,—

"A small Euphrates through the piece is rolled,

And little eagles wave their wings in gold."

Conquerors and conquered sink in common oblivion; triumphal arches, pageants the world wonders at, all that trumpeted itself as destined to an earthly immortality, pass away; the victor of a hundred battles is dust; the parchments or papyrus on which his deeds were written are shrivelled and decayed and gone,—

"And all his triumphs shrink into a coin."

—Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes (1882).

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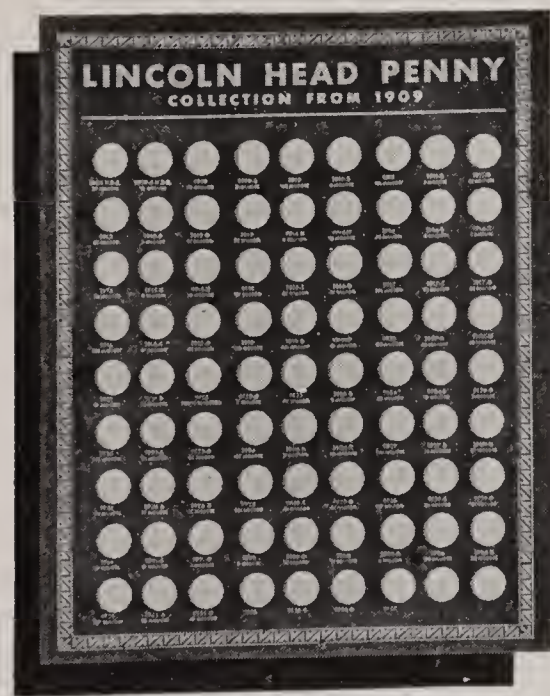
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The clipping of coins for the bullion value of the gold and silver shavings became so fixed a custom by the people the government had to step in and stop it. In Sweden some 250 or 300 years ago it was the other way around, the government did the clipping. In a talk before a coin club an ex-Swedish citizen said Sweden was stripped of its silver to pay war indemnities to conquering countries, and was forced onto copper coinage. This copper money, known as plate money, was minted both square and oblong, ranging in value from half dollar to ten dollars, and weighing from two to forty pounds. Owing to so much metal being used in the coins and the crude method of minting, the coins were frequently over-weight. The minter would then clip the corners to bring them down to standard. It depended on the amount of over-weight as to how many corners were to be clipped. The gentleman exhibited one coin with one corner clipped, one with two, and one with all four. So if you run across a clipped Swedish plate coin don't turn it down as spurious: its clipped-ness in a way guarantees its genuineness.

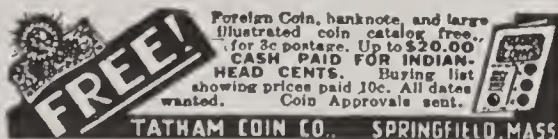
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The self made millionaire was addressing a graduating class.

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## Money Talks

The life of a dollar bill is less than nine months. (Or less than nine seconds in a night club.)—*Walter Winchell.*

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Mussolini might've been running a fruit stand in the U. S. today instead of the Italian Government, but for the flip of a coin. (At the age of 20, Il Duce flipped a coin to decide whether to go to the U. S. or remain in the old country—the U. S. won.)—*Walter Winchell.*

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When Edward Forman, a druggist of New York City, repaired a torn dollar bill recently, he did not know that he was solving a crime. Half an hour after he had pasted over the tear in the bill two men held up his drug store and escaped with \$50 in cash. He managed to catch sight of the license number on their car and that same evening city detectives picked up Harry Richardson and Harry Wilson, with just \$50 in their pockets. However, one of the bills in their possession had been repaired with a label reading "For External Use Only, Edward Forman, Druggist", and this piece of evidence was sufficient to convict them.—*From a column "Curiosity in Crime" by Wm. R. Creedmore.*

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## ROOSEVELT AND ME

His budget is in millions—

In dimes and nickels mine is—

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—*Dan Anderson in the New York Sun.*

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Economists confuse us talking about "hard" and "easy" money. All we know is that any kind of money is both—hard to get and easy to spend.—*Kansas City, Mo., Post.*

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A thumbnail sketch of Gen. Jacob S. Coxey, who has just passed his 83rd birthday, recalls that he named one of his children "Legal Tender." A true optimist in these times would be one who planned to name his next year's offspring "Balanced Budget."—*Exchange.*

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## Recollections of an Old Collector

By THOMAS ELDER

### Numismatic Fur Flying

THERE is great competition today among coin dealers and catalogers of coins at auction. The advertised charges and claims in many cases are neither polite nor considerate of the other fellow. Most of this hot stuff comes from the pens of newcomers in the coin business who may have a large future ahead of them but have very little experience past them. They assay to make up for this lack of background and experience by berating the other fellow just on general principles or by laying emphasis on the futility or dubiousness of sale prices at auction. This is poor business and will hurt coin collecting also. The late S. H. Chapman, a veteran in the cataloging line, once said to me that quarrels and criticisms among the numismatists do more to hurt coin collecting than anything else.

One dealer comes out and abuses all catalogers of coins, and all coin sales, stating that catalogers do not usually pay coin owners under sixty days time. This charge is absolutely false and without basis of fact whatsoever. The great sales like the Lawrence, where \$49,000 was realized for coins at auction sale and many worlds records made, with top prices of \$14,900 for only two coins belie such wild statements; and at that sale the owners were all paid up within 30 days of sale. The check was \$42,000, and the writer made out that check himself.

Another cataloger says that "more people attend his sales than all the other sales combined," which is also entirely false and misleading. Besides, I might add, it is not numbers that count in an auction room. And any room with 100 people in it will show that not half of them do any bidding. The others merely price their catalogs. If that means assets to the sale I cannot see the point. At the Gregory sale six collectors and dealers

and collectors, among them B. Max Mehl and myself and Henry Chapman, helped to run up a total of \$16,000 in that session. Numbers did not count then and they don't count very heavily today. Six good bidders are worth 100 at an auction sale.

All these wild charges and claims lead the thoughtful collector to take all such with a discount of about 75%, and to give a full consideration to the experience, ages, background and dependability of those making such statements.

### Rare Dollars Selling Too Cheap

To show how sale price trends change over the years as affecting rare U.S. silver coins we note this remarkable situation. Half dollars, and some dollars after say 1840, have as a rule, greatly increased in price, as registered by auctions, while some of the very rarest dollars have taken bad tumbles in price. A halt will be called to this tumble and soon.

The Peter Mougey Sale, which the writer held in 1910, 28 years ago, showed us how really rare dollars have sold in the past. This may be due to the fact that in those days we had a group of rich collectors who were willing and able to pay good prices in order to add them to their fine collections. There were the Chapman brothers, Dewitt Smith, Wm. H. Woodin, Hillyer Ryder, Waldo Newcomer, Virgil M. Brand and the like. Alas, these men are gone today.

At the Mougey sale, (when we had a 100 cent dollar) we had a record like this. A 1794 dollar, not even fine, sold for \$150; the 1836, without stars in the field, for \$435; the 1838, for \$400; the proof 1851, records \$145; the 1852, for \$99. Judged by present day prices these are fine. Recently a proof 1851 sold for only \$57. It is worth easily \$100 to \$125. The 1839 has sales records in the old

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days up to \$130. It is selling today from \$75 to \$85 in proof state, not enough. Judged by the present dollar, devalued to 59 cents, and so judged by Europe in all its exchange offers for the U. S. dollar, the 1838 should sell at present for \$600 or over, the 1851 for \$200 or over and other coins in like comparison. Fifty years ago an 1858 dollar sold for over \$50. Today it sells between \$35 and \$40. A queer state of affairs which does not enable present day collectors to know just what their coins are worth on the market. As to cents the advance of the 1856 eagle cent has not kept pace with the advance of other dates like 1871, 1872 and 1877. Judged by the advances of the three last dates the eagle cent of 1856 should sell for \$40 to \$50 today, any one in fine condition or better. And so we see in the above accounts the vagaries of coin collecting in this year 1938.

It would take very little money comparatively for any man to corner the market on these rare dollars. Even the 1836 Gobrecht, commonest variety, has become very scarce and dealers don't have them to offer. These old dollars are very rare indeed, and some day soon they are going to be appraised at their proper values and not kicked around the auction sales like footballs, selling for any old price.

### *Confusion in Bidding at Sales*

The habit of some catalogers, particularly stamp catalogers, in offering lots at so much per entire lot, while others sell by the pieces in a lot, has resulted in more or less trouble for all concerned.

The ones who catalog to sell by the piece are more numerous than the other auctioneers, and while they print all over their catalogs and bid sheets asking bidders to be careful and read the sale terms and method of bidding, it seems about 75% of the bidders totally ignore all contract terms and fire away hit or miss. The result is some get lots at more than they intended to bid. There is of course a race and competition on the part of bidders to see how cheaply they can buy coins or lots. This results in those collectors often missing what they want to get, due to the more liberal policy of the successful bidders. Most catalogers who secure for collectors lots at the so much per lot rate are puzzled and nonplussed, as certain collectors expect catalogers to be mind readers of course. There could be no other interpretation of such complaints, and some ill feeling results. They will write and blame the catalogers for not knowing how they meant to bid, while directly violating the printed rules. After an experience of some thirty-five years with auctions the writer can say that only a small percentage of bidders seem to pay any attention to instruc-

tions and a good many do not assume much responsibility in bidding. Some treat coin sales as approval sales, which they most certainly are not. They expect to be pleased, and if they are not pleased don't waste time in saying so, and in returning lots. One thing the cataloger has never heard any complaints of and that is where a man would complain that his own lots offered at auction were overdescribed. It is always the other fellow's lots which aren't supposed to be right or as expected. On the other hand

there are many collectors who make no trouble, abide by the printed rules, take the lots knocked down to them and continue to bid. The main trouble makers are being listed for future reference, of course, as they should be. A \$45 coin was recently returned to the writer for a very curious reason by a collector. It had not been mailed to him within 3 or 4 days of the date of the sale, too late for him. Too bad for him also. He is being listed for future reference.

## COINS AT AUCTION

*Some prices realized at the auction sale of the late David A. Woods, of Toronto, Canada, sold by M. H. Boler, Orangeville, Ill., on April 2.*

Carthage gold stater, fine, \$15; 1801 Mexico gold doubloon, fine, \$27. 1860 Pikes Peak \$5 gold, v. fine, \$18. 1861 Clark Gruber & Co. \$10 gold, fine, \$26. 1907 St. Gaudens \$20 gold, Roman date, unc., \$43. 1879 \$4 gold piece, \$120. U. S. encased postage stamps J. Gault 30-cent, \$17.50; 90-cent J. Gault, \$31.50; 10-cent John Shillito \$11.25; 10-cent Weir & Larminie, \$17; 3-cent Lord & Taylor \$8; 1-cent Dougan, \$10; 5-cents H. A. Cook, \$12; 24-cent Kirkpatrick & Gault \$16; 5-cent Hunt & Nash \$10. Missouri half-dollar with star \$22. Pair of rare Boones \$40. Alabama with cross \$12. 1798 dollar ex. fine, \$10.50. 1877 silver 20-cents proof, \$12.50. 1878 20-cents proof \$13. 1856 flying eagle cent, unc., \$31.50. Vatican set 1929, \$15.25. 1804 cent very good, scratched, \$18.50. 1870 CC quarter, v. good, \$9.60. 1873 half-dollar CC fine, \$7.40. 1873 two-cents proof, \$10.50. 1923 D mint dollar, \$10.25. 1796 half-cent, good, \$45. 1800 half-cent unc., \$10.50. 1831 half-cent, v. fine, \$31. 1836 pattern two-cents, unc., \$8.50. 1794 half-dime, \$12. 1652 Pine tree shilling, v. fine, \$30.25.

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*Some prices realized at B. Max Mehl's sale of March 22.*

### *U. S. Half Cents*

1793 Crosby 2-C and Gilbert #4, \$50; 1795 thick planchet, lettered edge. Gilbert #1, \$32.25; 1811 uncirculated, \$20.; 1834 brilliant proof, \$9.45; 1852 small berries, brilliant proof, \$42.50.

### *Small Cents*

1856 proof, flying eagle, \$40; 1861 proof, \$8.25; 1864 L. on ribbon, uncirculated, \$11.50; 1872 proof, \$10.50; 1914 D. mint, uncirculated, \$10.

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1862 gold dollar, proof, \$21.; 1836 pattern gold dollar, \$120; 1856 Dahlonaga mint gold dollar, \$55; 1861 Dahlonaga mint gold dollar, \$90; 1796 \$2.50 gold, variety without stars

on obverse, \$100; 1848 Cal. \$2.50, \$148, 50; 1873 \$3; 1876 \$3 Gold, \$315; 1877 \$3 Gold, \$127.50; 1879 \$4 Gold, \$190; 1880 \$4 Gold, \$405; 1795 Half Eagle, \$450; 1797 over '95 half eagle, \$525; 1796 \$10 gold, \$65; 1799 \$10 gold \$38.50; 1792 half dime, \$41; 1805 half dime, \$18.50; 1859 half dime with no mention of the U.S., \$52.50; 1800 dime, \$19.75; 1859 dime with no mention of the U.S., \$115; 1870 S mint dime, \$20; 1873 Carson City mint dime, \$24; 1796 quarter, \$16; 1822 uncirculated quarter, \$16; 1840 quarter, uncirculated, \$10; 1853 quarter with arrows at date, \$37.75; 1891 quarter, O mint, \$62.50; 1923 quarter, \$38.25; 1794 half dollar, \$20; 1796 half dollar, \$152.50; 1797 half dollar, \$100; 1836 half dollar with milled edge, \$10.50; 1872 Carson City mint half dollar, \$16.75; 1915 \$50.00 Gold, round and octagonal Panama Pacific issue \$615; 1794 dollar, \$146; 1795 dollar, \$16; 1796 dollar, \$27; 1800 dollar, \$20; 1836 Dollar, C. Gobrecht on base, \$41.50; 1858 proof, \$42.50; 1885 pattern dollar, \$24.25; 1900 Leshner dollar, \$25.75; 1796 large cent, \$64.50; 1799 large cent, \$45; 1803 large cent, \$21.50; 1825 large cent \$25; 1849 large cent, proof, \$26.25; 1847 large cent, proof, \$32.50; 1851 \$50 gold, \$210; 1852 \$50 gold, \$285; 1851 Baldwin & Co., \$10, \$785; 1860 Clark, Gruber & Co. \$10, \$72.50; 1672 Olmutz five ducats, \$72.50; Persia A. H. 1314. Ten tomans or \$20 Gold, \$75; 1851-68 complete set of gold bullet money, 1,2,3,4,8, and 16 Ticals, \$62.50; 1897 Alphonso XIII 100 pesetas, \$51; 1828 over '27 Pedro I 6,400 Reis, Rio mint, \$150; 1763 Charles III 4 Escudos, \$100; 1842 doubloon Ecuador, \$125; 1699 cobb doubloon, Peru, \$90.

An information note explains that natives of the Caroline Islands have a coin made of rock and twelve feet in diameter. We are convinced that it would be just the thing to toss to the wandering piper who occasionally tootles "Is It True What They Say About Dixie?" under our windows as we write."—*Boston Herald*.



# The Franklin Silk Company and Kent, Ohio

By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

IN the Numismatic Department of HOBBIES March issue of 1938 is an illustration of a five dollar note of the Franklin Silk Company of Franklin, Portage County, Ohio. The notes of this company seem to be the only Ohio bank notes that are available to the average collector, and are of much historical interest.

On the right end of the five dollar denomination and on the left end of the one, two, three and ten dollar denominations are vignettes showing Franklin surrounded by symbols and allusions to things for which he is so well known. His valuable discoveries and contributions to the study of electricity are symbolized by the streaks of lightning in the background and the word "electricity" around the edge of the book in his hand. Across the pages of the open book at his feet are the words "Mind your business", a statement which he made so well known and which appears on one of the early cents.

The central vignette on the one, two, and ten dollar denominations portrays a canal scene, canal locks, towpath, and mills which are typical of the industries and geography of the vicinity of Franklin, now Kent. Also, they are reminders of the great canal-and-railroad building era which played so great a part in the speculative enterprises partly responsible for the panic of 1837, with its consequent business and bank failures of which these notes are bits of primary historical evidence. This panic occurred just after the expiration of Jackson's presidency and was partly hastened by his Specie Circular which forbade the government land officers to accept paper money in payment for land sales. With this background, let us turn to the history of Kent, Ohio.

In 1836, just a little over one hundred years ago, the village of Franklin was organized and laid out by the Franklin Land Company which later conveyed its property to the Franklin Silk Company, the issuers of the notes described. The Franklin Silk Company was incorporated by Norman C. Baldwin, James Wallace, of Boston, Frederick Wadsworth, of Edinburgh, Truman P. Handy, Alexander Seymour, George Y. Wallace, of Ravenna, David H. Beardsley, Sherlock J. Andrew, George Kirkham, Zenas Kent, John A. Foote, Theodore Noble, of Middlebury, Nathan Button, of Franklin, Elisha Beach, Van R. Humphrey, of Hudson, John B. Clark, Augustus Baldwin, Seth W. Crittenden, Flavel W. Bingham, John S. Potwin and Solomon L. Severance, for the purpose of developing the water power and other natural resources of the vicinity, of which the canal on the note suggests one pur-

pose. With the end in view, the incorporators purchased the water power and improvements of Rudsboro, the lower village, from Zenas Kent; and the water power and improvements of the upper village, Carthage, from Rhodes and Pomeroy.

The next step in the plans of the company was to converge the water powers of Rudsboro and Carthage midway between these villages. For this purpose they entered into a contract with the Pennsylvania and Ohio Canal Company in May, 1836, to carry out the convergence and to combine the water power facilities of the two villages. In accordance with their plans, the Franklin Silk Company organized a bank which issued notes, of which the ones described are specimens; a dam was built; and a number of brick blocks were erected. But unfortunately for the village of Franklin and the Franklin Silk Company, it seems that later the Pennsylvania and Ohio Canal Company ruined the prospects of the company by diverting almost the entire volume of the Cuyhoga River to their canal so as to create water power at Akron, in which the Pennsylvania and

Ohio Canal Company was vitally interested. The diversion of the stream is said to have been supposedly made to create greater navigation facilities. Because of the reduction in the volume of the river, the water power facilities at Franklin were so greatly diminished as to cause a tremendous loss in the value of the company's property. It was soon forced to bankruptcy and compelled to retire its paper money from circulation.

Zenas Kent then acquired all the property and water power of the company and in 1848 sold it to Henry A. Kent and Marvin Kent. These two promoted the possibilities of the vicinity for many years. Through their efforts a cotton mill was erected and later manufacturing of window glass became one of its largest industries. Marvin Kent continued his untiring zeal in behalf of the village and brought about the completion of the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad on which the first passenger train entered Franklin on March 7, 1863. Two months later Franklin was incorporated under the name of Kent (May 7, 1867).

Today besides continuing its extensive manufacture of window glass, Kent manufactures chains and has cotton and flower mills. Here, also, are maintained extensive machine shops by the Erie Railroad.

## COUNTERFEIT DETECTORS

By D. C. WISMER

Counterfeit Detectors were a necessity to every banker, broker and business man until about 1867, when they were no longer needed, because bank notes ceased to circulate as money at that time. The current paper money in 1867 consisted of National Bank Notes, United States Legal Tender Notes, the so called Green Backs, and United States fractional currency. This paper currency was the current money until 1879, when specie payments were resumed.

National Banks were first established in 1863; the Act establishing national banks, authorized the comptroller of the currency to charter national banks for a period of twenty years, when it was assumed, they would be no longer needed for the issue of paper money, but before the twenty years had passed they were permitted to continue 20 years longer, by an Act passed by Congress. After the Civil War started, and the costs of the war commenced to increase, the banks not supplying sufficient funds needed to carry on the war, Congress passed the Legal Tender Act, authorizing the Treasury Department to issue \$500,000,000 in legal tender notes, assuming that these would be retired when specie payments were

resumed which was in 1879; and the Treasury Department had reduced the legal tender issue to something over \$300,000,000 prior to 1879, but in the meantime the Green-Back Party under General Butler had been organized and strong objections being presented in Congress against the retirement of the Green Backs, their continuance was authorized and they are still with us to the amount of something over \$300,000,000.

All of the Thirteen Colonies issued paper money, the first being Massachusetts, and they all continued the issue of paper money until after the assembling of the Continental Congress, as States of the American Federation. The last of the States to issue paper money was Connecticut, in 1791. This issuance was against the provision of the Constitution adopted by the United States in 1789.

The first bank was chartered by the Continental Congress in 1781. Some doubts existed as to the right of the Continental Congress to charter a bank, so the bank obtained a charter from the State of Pennsylvania in 1782. The other States soon started to charter banks with the privilege of issuing their notes as money, so that by 1856, there were 1,208 of



these state chartered banks issuing their promises to pay United States silver and gold coins when presented at the banks office to the cashier or paying teller. In 1856, these banks had \$195,745,950 of their notes in circulation. This being the current money issued in denominations from \$1 to \$1000, in which most of the payments were made from 1790 to July 1, 1866, in business transactions.

Soon after the bank notes became a common circulating medium, the counterfeiters commenced imitating and counterfeiting, etc., the current notes of the best banks. These counterfeit notes became a great nuisance to the banks and business men generally, so that the bank note engraving and printing companies started to supply the banks and others with printed sheets of the vignettes and designs used by them on the bank notes printed for the different banks so they could more readily detect the counterfeit notes. Later the note brokers began to issue counterfeit detectors, listing the counterfeit notes in circulation, and pointing out how the counterfeits differed from the genuine notes.

One of the first "Counterfeit Detectors" was published by J. Thompson, Exchange Broker, at 52 Wall Street, New York, monthly and semi-monthly, at a subscription price of \$1 and \$2 per year; a copy in the writer's possession is dated March 23, 1842. Also the following have been noted: Peterson's Philadelphia Counterfeit Detector; Van Court's Counterfeit Detector, in Philadelphia; Bicknell's Counterfeit Detector, Philadelphia; Taylor's—Published by Geo. Demott in New York; Professor Reedy's Bank Note, Draft and Check Detector, New Orleans; Preston's United States Bank Note Reporter, Published by David Preston & Co., Bankers, at 72 Woodward Avenue,

Detroit; Daye's—Published in Detroit; Descriptive Register of Genuine Bank Notes — Published by Gwinne & Day, Bankers at 12 Wall Street, New York; Hodges' American Bank Note Safe-Guard, giving facsimile descriptions of upwards of ten thousand bank notes. There were evidently a number of others of which I have no report.

### Numismatic Notes

New Rochelle, N. Y., will celebrate its 250th birthday from June 12 to 18. Invitations have been sent to President Roosevelt, the French Ambassador, the French Consul-General at New York, the Mayor of La Rochelle, France, as well as many other distinguished personages. Pitt M. Skipton, chairman, says that the balance of the coins will be sold during the celebrations but if any should remain over they will be forwarded to the mint for melting.

My poor man, here is a quarter, goodness gracious it's terrible to be lame, but just think if you were blind. "Yer right lady," replied the beggar, "When I was blind I was always getting counterfeit money."—*Bostonian*.

Generous old lady (using a pay station telephone for the first time): Seeing you've been so nice and attentive my dear, I'm putting an extra nickel in the slot for you.—*Bostonian*.

Money may be easy, an eminent economist puts it, but the bitter fact still remains that the fellows you'd like to get a little of it from aren't.

Grocer: Well little boy, what can I do for you?

Little Boy: Mother sent me to get change for a dollar and said she would give you the dollar tomorrow.—*Bostonian*.

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### WANTED TO BUY

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**CASH FOR ALL U. S. COINS**, job lots or collections.—Reynolds Coin Shop, 111½ East Kearsley, Flint Mich. ja12753

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**WANTED CENTS** uncirculated all dates. Also 1793 to 1822 Large, 1856 to 1880, 1908s, 1909s Indian Head, 1909s voB, 1909s, 1924D, 1931s and condition, state price and condition, send me your want list. H. C. McKown, Numismatist, 2013 S. Lafayette St., Ft. Wayne, Ind., ANA 5524. je6155

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# NUMISMATICS



## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

Neal O'Hare says:—"A survey shows men prefer to have nickels and dimes in their pockets for change, whereas half dollars are the women's favorite coin."

Possibly women's preference for halves is the reason there are only nickels and dimes in the gents' purses.

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"It is hard to teach an old dog new tricks", and just as hard to break the lifelong customs of a people. The recently conquered Ethiopians still cling to the age old barter and trade. Ernest Wiese in NEWS WEEK says that the natives of Ethiopia wont accept currency for their chickens, leopard or monkey skins, or souvenirs, but insist upon guns and ammunition. "Paper lire", he adds, "have no significance for them, and the silver thalers coined by Rome are so obviously lacking in metallic content that the natives spurn them."

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A clever silver-smith can dexterously place a mint mark where the mark should not be. No matter how cleverly done, a blow-pipe will expose the fraud.

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Many of the tokens bear peculiar wordings. Alleged new worded tokens bob up occasionally; don't buy the newly discovered (?) type; the chances are 1000 to 1 that a word has been erased from the piece. For instance:—A familiar token reads "Not One Cent"; a be-heading or be-tailing gives a "one cent" or "not one" type. Be very wary when you find "something new under the sun."

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Those having three-cent fractional currency of Civil war days will be interested in this old newspaper tip to lay some of them aside, and should thank the numismatically minded of Civil War days for heeding the advice. The New York Times, March 16, 1865, says: "No more of the three-cent fractional currency is to be issued. In view of the coin pieces authorized to be substituted by act of Congress, that which will be returned to the Treasury will not be re-issued."

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Inconsequential often prove consequential. The five cent fly-swatter

helped lessen the family doctor's business; Edison's little motion picture toy drove the "legits" from the footlights. For years and years numismatists and coin dealers have been trying to coin-mind the general public, with but indifferent success. Then was introduced the simple little coin-board, and now many more are collecting coins. A young California Miss who had been specializing in state tokens was presented with a penny coin-board. She started to fill it "just for the fun of the thing", and—but let her tell it. "Since writing you last I have completed the Lincoln penny-board, pennies all in excellent condition. About a three year job. Also have a Buffalo nickel-board complete with the exception of one date. I also have a dime-board. I have been checking on the average of over 400 nickels a day for months and still going strong."

For fun, for sport, for your money's worth; get a coin-board and go to it.

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Said a gentleman: "My wife's pet name for me is 'General'—general nuisance." State tax tokens carry the same title, but what is acid to one is sweetening to another. Collectors revel in the little nuisances. The kick in collecting them is keeping up with the times, and keeping a state token collection up to date is some sport. A news item says twenty-four states have adopted the sales tax. Collecting tourists en-route across the country delight in pocketing the various tokens as they cross state lines.

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There are still as many fish in the sea, birds in the air, trees in the forest, irons in the fire, as out; and while there may not be as many rare coins in as there are out of the stocking collections, there are a plenty hidden away in the many heirloomic socks. Take a peep at the coins in your old stocking collection, check the dates with statistics, and perhaps after all your ship will have come in; or it may end your long fruitless search for the pot of gold at the rainbow's end. No trouble looking and it may prove a "mortgage lifter".

The READER'S DIGEST has the following brain twister:—A woman once asked her husband if he had change for a ten-dollar bill. He looked in his pocket and found he had 14.19, but that he could not change the bill. In fact, he couldn't change any bill, no matter what the denomination, nor did he have change for a half-dollar, quarter, dime or nickel. What did he have?

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Answer to the above Brain Twister of the READER'S DIGEST is:—One five-dollar bill, four two-dollar bills, one half-dollar, one quarter, four dimes, and four pennies.

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Collectors should set aside duplicates of each year's coins as he goes along, all uncirculated condition. They will come in handy. With so many thousands now collecting coins it is difficult getting uncirculated condition coins of the back numbers. A collector recently needed a 1932 quarter, and although there were 6,248,800 of them minted, out of four hundred he secured from a bank, he only found one quarter of that date, and it was in too poor condition to be of use.

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We all enjoy taking the "horse and buggy" trips with Mr. Elder over the numismatic roads in his "recollections of an Old Collector". Coin items were practically nil, dealers few, collectors far between, and the average collector was "on his own", gathering the coins from his change. How different from the present stream-lined age with its many coin publications, hundreds of dealers, scores of coin clubs, State associations, and thousands upon thousands of collectors. Coin dealing is now "big business" and collecting might be called a profession. With bank-tellers and store cashiers scanning the intake for mysterious strangers, the chance of building a collection from the "change" is negligible. Collections are assembled, not gathered. In the "Elder days" a coin collector was literally a collector, while now he might rightfully be termed an assembler. Notwithstanding the lack of present modernity, our elders, in their numismatic youth, as in their boyhood days, had "the time of their life".

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### Why the Silver Three Cent Pieces Are Scarce

With about 40,000,000 silver three cent pieces coined, 1851-1873, these diminutive fairy coins should be very plentiful, but, considering the number minted, they are scarce, some of them rare. In addition to the usual "wear and tear" that all coins meet with, "something happened" to the Silver Trey. The following article which appeared in the Herald, 1882, explains what this "something" was.

"The United States Mint in Philadelphia has lately received over two tons of Three Cent silver pieces, which by Act of Congress have been abolished from the national coinage. This is said to be, however, only about one-fifth of the quantity of these small coins which are to be brought

there from the various sub-treasuries in the country, there having already been redeemed more than ten tons. The three cent pieces now in the Mint would fill three large wagons. They are to be recoined into dimes, as the three cent nickel pieces are to take the place of the old silver three cent coins. The treasury department is redeeming the small coins as fast as possible, and in a few years they will entirely disappear, and only the nickels will be in circulation. The coins have lost a very considerable per cent of their intrinsic value by usage, in some cases amounting to as much as 25 per cent. In fact, they were rapidly wearing out. This is one reason why they were abolished and the harder and more convenient nickel substituted."

The nickel three cent pieces, 1865-1889, did not live up to the anticipated expectations and were discontinued after a short trial. Their size and appearance resembled too much the dime and caused too much annoyance and confusion.—F.C.R.

### Here's a Chance for You to Help

Officials of Mining Exhibits, Inc., are searching museums of California and contacting collectors with a view to making an adequate display of the first hexagonal \$50 slugs made by the historical Moffat Assay Office at Mt. Ophir, Mariposa County, Calif.

A replica of this mint, the West's first, and California's first money will be exhibited at the 1939 Treasure Island, according to B. C. Allen, president of Mining Exhibits, Inc.

Not only was the Mt. Ophir establishment first to mint coins in the west under government authority, but it was said to be the nation's first authorized private mint.

It was built in 1850 by John L. Moffat, whose own mine supplied gold for the first hexagonal \$50 slugs made by him. Previously legal tender was gold dust, nuggets and whatever money strayed in from the East.

Mount Ophir is another "vanished town" of the Mother Lode. Near the very few remaining ruins of the Mt. Ophir mint are the remains of an arched stone vault. It is recorded that at one time raw gold was stored there and nearby. Souvenir collectors have dealt unkindly with the vault.

According to Newell D. Chamberlain's "Call of Gold," the coin contains upon one side, an eagle in the center, surrounded by the words, "United States of America," and just over the eagle is stamped "887 thous," indicating the fineness of the gold, and at the bottom is stamped "50 dolls." The opposite side is decorated with a number of radii, extending from a common center, in which is stamped in small figures "50." Around the edge is stamped the name of "The United States Assayer."

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# Recollections of An Old Collector

By THOMAS L. ELDER

## Thoughts and Trials of a Coin Cataloger

Why some dealers get headaches. Cataloging coins for public sale is not exactly a joy. There are quite a few reasons why, which could be enumerated.

A percentage of bidders seem to lack a sense of humor when they bid 5 or 10 cents on a lot with one piece in it, which costs 25 cents or over to describe.

Most collectors and bidders are, of course, responsible gentlemen and the soul of trade, but a few in bidding ignore completely the printed sale terms and have no intention of abiding by the same.

A very small percentage expect catalogers to be mind readers, as when they bid on the wrong lot, and berate the cataloger for not knowing the lot they intended to bid on, when it is found to have cost them a bit more than they deemed the lot worth.

A number at each sale fully expect to return any lot they do not like, no difference what the cataloger thinks about it.

We are in a depression, and a very few collectors want to pay on the installment plan for lots bought at auction. The writer has every sympathy with the enthusiast who will buy, even if he cannot pay for all at once.

Some few bid sheets contain such low bids that they are useless to enter, because all lots bid on have already higher bids made on them by more generous bidders.

Strange as it may seem, bids often run very close together, sometimes five bids all within 25 cents of each other where dollars are bid, on a single lot. Often three or more bids on the same lot are identical, in which case the first man who bids is given the preference. Early bids received

seem to be poorest and late bids are the best, those received just prior to the date of sale.

Quite often, because bids are very close a bidder has to pay exactly his limit on a lot, showing a close application on the part of collectors to current coin values. There are indeed many dealers, large and small, and a keen competition for business. Many who collect in a small way are also "dealers."

Due to two systems of enumerating bids, viz., by the piece or by the lot, more or less confusion is caused, but most sales offer coins so much the piece and not so much for the entire lot.

Keeping books at coin sales is an expensive luxury for catalogers, sometimes three bookkeepers have to be used, in order to get a prompt enumeration of prices and totals for ready delivery. For this reason, not to speak of auctioneer charges coin sales are very expensive matters for the catalogers. The writer's last sale catalog cost him over \$500 for the printing bill alone. The auctioneer cost \$100. Clerks another \$100. Postage another \$100, and so on. One has to show a profit and get good prices in public sales today merely to cover expenses. The big supporting collectors are *non est*; those Ryders, Newcomers, Chapmans, Bements and Brands, of the past. Practically nobody has come into the field to take their places, only a group of the younger type collectors, who, while enthusiastic and extremely useful to collecting, do not seem to have the money to go in for big things in American and foreign coins. At any rate, they don't go in for them. Perhaps they will in time. Today you can count the really big buyers on one hand. The writer does not know of more than a half dozen.

## Gold Coins

The mystery remains unsolved why so comparatively few collectors today add gold coins to their collections. Presently we may see why this may be questioned. We live in a changing world and there also may come numismatic changes along with monetary changes.

Another mystery also is the really low price of fine gold dollars. Remember, none struck in the last 49 years, and they are bound to get more scarce. It was the first depression of 1933 that brought many gold dollars out of lock boxes; the great War brought out thousands also, so there are few more to come out, certainly none in thousand lots are left

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Catalogers are bothered a good deal by some of the crank letters from non-collectors. These individuals write to everybody from the President of the United States down to the humblest, trying to sell their coin or coins often at a fabulous price for worthless material. The President is being subjected to such offers, the writer can say on authority.

Another undesirable element is the individual who sends coins to dealers without their requesting or asking for the same, usually omitting to send money for their return. All the prominent dealers must have a few boxes of such tucked away in their safes awaiting adjustment. A woman has just written me on a postal card offering a U. S. cent dated 1819, with the proceeds of which she hopes to take care of her sick mother. Another man in California has lost his wife and would like a \$1.50 box of coins to assist him in adjusting his losses.

Undoubtedly misleading advertising on coin books has a lot to do with these botherations, as they lead many uninformed to bother the coin dealer.

### *Cranks on Condition*

The depression, or something, seems to have added to another affliction of coin dealers today. That is the accentuation of the quest on the part of collectors for coins in perfect, immaculate beautifully struck condition. In requiring this they are

going to deprive merely themselves of coins, for as one prominent dealer writes me "The majority of the scarcer coins are almost unobtainable in superb condition, and in this condition many of them do not exist."

A pity it is that these cranks on condition could not have been present at the mints when their favorite coins

were struck so they could both instruct the coiners as to the coining methods, how to secure the best examples, and have been allowed the pick out of hundreds of absolutely newly struck pieces. Today many of them are asking for proofs and gems which they will be unable to secure at almost any price.

## A Coin Collector Gathered Money Mentioned in Bible

**LIBERTY, MO.**—A collection of rare coins, including the widow's mite, and the half-shekel used by the Jews in Jesus's time to pay the temple taxes was shown here recently at the Northwest Missouri pastor's conference. The "penny" like the one St. Paul held when he said "Render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's," and every other coin mentioned in the Bible, fourteen in all, are included in the collection.

The collection required forty years of diligent search to assemble by Dr. J. R. Eaton, former professor of natural science and theology at William Jewell college, who died in 1899 in Egypt, where he had gone to complete his Biblical coin collection.

Following Dr. Eaton's death, the collection remained in the hands of T. T. Eaton, a cousin, until 1907, when it was placed in a vault at the First National Bank in Liberty. There it remained until a few days ago when it was given to the college.

### *In a Locked Chest Without Key*

The collection, which also contains more than 200 coins of Caesar, Nero, Alexander the Great, Cassius, Mark Anthony, Brutus and others, is in a walnut chest. The key to the chest did not accompany the gift and it was necessary for a locksmith to open the case. In the top of the chest was a lengthy statement from Dr. Eaton, placed there before his death, which told of his search and system used in obtaining the coins. H. B. Early, treasurer of the college estimates the collection to be worth \$8,000 or \$10,000.

Dr. Eaton's statement taken from the chest follows in part:

"It has taken more than forty years (a generation of life work) to collect these ancient coins. This is not a mere heterogeneous collection such as many try to collect simply because the coins are ancient, but a systematic collection along certain lines marked out from the first and adhered to with few exceptions; and nearly every line is perfect in its way.

### *Contains Every Biblical Coin*

"First, I set out to get a specimen of every coin mentioned in the Bible. This Scriptural list is perfect, and I

think the only perfect collection in the United States, and there are few in the world. The half-shekel is very rare (even more so than the shekel), and the finest specimen, says Rob Morris, the numismatic and oriental traveler, that was ever brought to this country. One would naturally suppose that as every Jewish adult was required to bring up a half-shekel to the temple every year, and as there were several hundred thousands thus taxed, that there would be many of these half-shekels; but it should be remembered that this coin was used only for sacred purposes, and that the Greek didrachm, equal in value to the half-shekel, was the current coin. These didrachms were taken up by the people and by the money changers were exchanged for the half-shekel. (A commission or discount, of course, being paid for the exchange.) The half-shekel thus received was paid into the temple to the priests, who thereupon handed it back to the money changers, whereby a few half-shekels were sufficient for the whole business.

"The gold daric was secured through my brother's (a naval officer) intimacy with the cashier of the bank at Smyrna, who was a collector of coins for the British Museum.

"The Jewish 'mite' (or more properly the lepton) was the most difficult to obtain, and the very last of all the coins that I did obtain. I had before what were called 'mites,' the first one of which I obtained from Rob Morris, but I was never satisfied with it, as it weighed too much, being over thirty grains, equal to the weight of a quadrans (or farthing). Rob Morris called them 'mites' and honestly no doubt considered them so, as he knew no smaller coins.

### *Should Be Half a Farthing*

"Notwithstanding, I considered that the Scripture must be right, which says in Mark XII—42—'two mites which make a farthing.' (The Greek reads 'Two lepta which is a quadrans') and that therefore the true mite or lepton was only the half of a farthing or quadrans. And I was confirmed in this by the fact that the modern Greek lepton weighs only fifteen and one-half grains. So I sent to my agents in Alexandria, Smyrna, Rome, Paris, London, etc., offering a

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considerable sum for a Jewish coin weighing under twenty grains. After many years of search I received three Jewish lepta from a firm in Paris, weighing respectively 12.6, 13.1 and 16.8 grains, to make a selection from. Of course I kept all three.

"I have thereby settled that question beyond controversy, for here are the coins, and the Scripture is right that states that it takes 2 mites to make a farthing, and I firmly believe that beyond my collection there are no true mites in the United States, and but few in the world. In regard to the 'penny' (silver denarius) bearing 'Caesar's image and superscription' it is possible (say one chance in a million) that the very coin in this collection was once in the Savior's hand.

"Next, I aimed to secure at least one specimen each of the very earliest coins ever issued, in gold, silver and bronze (brass) of the Greek and Roman coinage, and in this I have succeeded, with perhaps one exception, in regard to which numismatics are in doubt.

"The securing of the first Roman bronze, the original *as* or *libra*, from which we derived our Troy pound, was peculiarly fortunate. I had special facilities for procuring rare, ancient coins from the fact that my brother, an officer in the United States navy, was many years cruising in the Mediterranean, and while there became quite widely known as a judge of coins, and so at various ports coins would be brought to him. I had sent him a list of the coins needed to complete my collection. Soon after I received a letter from him in which he said, 'I see you have in your list the *as gravi* (weighing a Roman pound). Bless your soul, don't set your heart upon getting this, for there are few even in European museums, and if one were found for sale it would cost a small fortune to purchase it.'

"Providentially he happened to be at Naples when an urn was disinterred there containing sixty ancient Roman *ases* of different sizes (during the Punic wars, the Romans, getting hard up for money, reduced the weight of the *as* several times until it weighed less than an ounce). My brother had the first pick at them and weighing every one of them, he found two of about the original weight, and he secured one of these for me. I have in my possession a letter from Mr. Mead, the keeper of coins in the British Museum, bearing evidence that my *as* is a better specimen, being heavier and therefore more ancient than any in the British Museum.

"The gold coin of the Roman republic was also very difficult to obtain. I had a number sent to me as such, but they proved to be of the

empire, and I returned them, but at last I succeeded in securing the coins wanted.

### *Shows Progress in Coinage*

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### Numismatic Notes

Felix Schlag, a Chicagoan, won the \$1,000 competition for the new five cent design.

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The Heart of American Numismatic Association chalked up another annual banquet recently with prominent speakers present.

How time flies!—The Ninth Tri-State Coin and Stamp Convention was held June 10-12 in Jamestown, N. Y. Among the well known collections exhibited were those of Roscoe B. Martin, Leo J. Shaughnessy, Adolph Steeg, Robert P. King, Howard D. Gibbs, George J. Bauer, and the Judson Brenner collection.

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Stafford Springs, Conn., May 18.—"Can you change a \$3 bill?" WPA historical research shows that at one time state banks issued \$3 bills. An item in an 1853 land record revealed this little known fact.

### 27,000 Pennies

Arnt Johnson, rural mail carrier of Pipestone, Minn., turned in 27,000 pennies at his local bank recently and purchased a snowmobile, and an auto equipped with skis and crawler treads for travel over the drifts in the winter time.

The pennies accumulated at a surprising rate, Johnson explained. He bought stamps in sheets at the post office and saved the pennies which were placed in rural mail boxes to provide postage for letters and packages that were mailed.

He started storing the pennies in tobacco tins and the number of tins grew fast.

Johnson took them to the bank in two large milk pails, and bank officials said that the heap of 27,000 pennies made one of the largest piles of one-cent pieces they had ever encountered.



Arnt Johnson, Pipestone, Minn., with 27,000 pennies he has saved. The tobacco cans proved a systematic means of storage.



## VANISHING AMERICAN

(The buffalo nickel must go the way of the red man.)—News Item.

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And covered wagon trains moved slowly west.

Horizons faded to a closed corral . . .

And freedom died for all my bellowing herd.

Within the musty confines of a purse My likeness still survived. Now this is changed,

No longer may I crouch upon a coin. Gone is my heritage . . . nought shall remain

Except a creature of captivity, Who dreams of lonely waste and wind-blown height,

And arrows singing through the fields of night!

—GENE BOARDMAN HOOVER—in the Kansas City, Mo., Star

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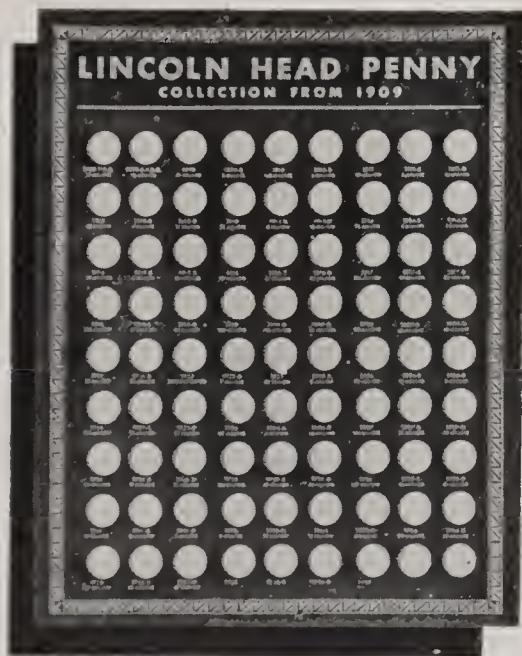
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Peso Mexican bill, large Turkish bill, 2 pretty Austrian bills, 2 German war bills, Turquoise wampum bead, notched line sinker, 5 old Spanish trade beads, 5 Hudson Bay beads, 4 crude old stone age bird point, 6 old stone age arrowheads, one pretty chalcedony blunt, Triangle war point, pink tourmaline crystal, green tourmaline crystal, .10

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# NUMISMATICS



## NUMISMATIC THOUGHTS

By FRANK C. ROSS

**A.N.A. CONVENTION:** The Board of Governors of the American Numismatic Association made no mistake in selecting Columbus, Ohio, as the 1938 Convention City. Columbus is centrally located and in the very heart of a numismatic community. All of the many Ohio coin clubs as well as the State Association are co-operating with the Columbus club to make this the banner convention as to membership attendance. Advance notices indicate it will surpass four hundred.

In addition to seeing coins from all over the world, valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars; attending the business meetings; renewing old and making new acquaintances, the members and visitors will be royally entertained by the entertainment committee of the Columbus sponsors. Smokers for the gentlemen, theatre parties for the ladies, sight seeing tours, and as a grand finale, the big banquet.

Columbus, a city of over 350,000 people, with its many points of interest, is an ideal place for a convention of this nature. Headquarters will be at the Neil House, one of America's most famous hotels, located opposite the State House. Ohio's State House is considered America's finest specimen of Grecian architecture.

The Convention will open Saturday, August 13, and close Thursday, August 18.

My good, close, personal friend, J. Henri Ripstra of Chicago, is one nation-wide famous numismatist that can say "Come grow young along with me." Mr. Ripstra is not only an ardent coin collector, but an indomitable worker for the general good of numismatics. Under his presidency the Chicago Coin Club became one, if not the largest club in the United States. Always active in American Numismatic Association affairs, he was selected without opposition last year as its President. He is now candidate for re-election, and as "one good term deserves another", the A. N. A. should reward him for his meritorious work by retaining him in office. Good luck to you, friend Ripstra, and may you continue to grow younger.

Don't carry your money in a sack; it is old man Friction's workshop. About three years ago the government transferred about 2½ billions in gold bullion and coins from San Francisco to the Denver mint, and this is what the A.P. says about old man Friction going along as a stowaway:

"There were mail bags, for instance. The wear and tear on them had been terrific. One of every five used had to be thrown away after one trip. Gold brick are a great deal heavier than building brick. A hunk of gold the same size and shape as a building brick weighs almost thirty pounds. The corners are sharp. They slice holes in thick cloth. Too, gold particles rub off on the cloth. After the hauling job was over, the mail bags were burned by the treasury and almost \$50,000 of gold melted out of them. The gold bricks were of such a potency that given a good hard rub with a tweed coat, a man could boil enough gold out of his sleeve for a blue plate dinner."

Coinie says: "We girl-folks may specialize in 'verbal' currency, but we do not, like some gentlemen we know, carry our money in a 'Scotch' purse."

Type collecting is becoming "the thing", and is keeping prices of commemoratives down "within the reach of all". Commemorative coins will always remain popular for they make a fine collection, but so long as the collectors' self-preservator, type, is on the job, they will not soon become rarities.

If you happen to run across a Civil War fractional note irregularly cut, don't dismiss it as a counterfeit, or as a freak from the printing press. Some of the notes were printed in sheets like postage stamps and had to be cut by the owners of the sheets, and they were not all straight cutters.

Asked for an expression on the new nickel, Coinie replies: "Good bye stoic Indian, good bye Buffalo; we've enjoyed your sojourn, sorry you must go. Hello Tommy Jefferson, you Declaration fellow, you Independence

sponsor, sage of Monticello. The old is dead, long live the new Tom nickel; we wish for you, our nickel new, a most successful cycle."

Must numismatists change their name to tokenists? Henry Ford says "Money isn't wealth. It's just a token of wealth." Henry has collected enough money in his life to speak with authority.

Soon collected—soon neglected, Eternal vigilance is the price of zest. A collection easily assembled—soon dissembled. The search for "sleepers"—here, there, everywhere—zests the hobby. Handed to you, they dull the appetite. "Short horse—soon curried"; a hobby with few phases, soon buried. Numismatics is the most phaseful of all hobbies. Even if you complete one of the minor phases, there are dozens more awaiting adoption. It is not how soon you will master all the phases, but how many you will complete in a life-time. Coin collecting is a life-time job, not a day's sport; a scientific study, not a Mother Goose ditty. Select numismatics, a long range hobby; not a temporary expedient, for, as the Talmud says, "soon ripen—soon rotten."

Hereditary versus environment bobs up. In early days the New Englanders used nails for money. The Yankees are still hereditarily hitting the nail on the head in driving bargains.

"The test of a pudding is its taste." The 'prices brought' list of an auction sale is the best barometer of coin values. It shows what coins bring from experienced collectors, not a biased valuation of a guesser. To keep up with values—keep up with auctions.

Frank J. Taylor, in "California", in an article on the new San Francisco Mint, has gotten us out of the pickle we have been in for a name for the melted gold coins, "pickled gold". He says: "In fact, the gold end of the Mint has been functioning in reverse. For six years they have been "pickling gold"—melting coins to make bars."

Mr. Taylor also gives us another trite expression. He speaks of the hoarded gold as a "Midas fortune."

The many predictions "If commemoratives are discontinued numis-



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The Coin clubs of the United States should take a page from the New Zealand Numismatic Society and go and do likewise and write our country's history in indestructible medallions.

**NEW ZEALAND CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL, 1940.** At a Council Meeting it was decided that the N. Z. Numismatic Society would issue a medal to commemorate the Centennial of New Zealand in 1940. The medal is to be on similar lines to the Waitangi-Bledisloe medal issued by the Society in 1935, but there will be no limit to the number to be struck, and the medal will be available for purchase by the general public throughout New Zealand. It is hoped to secure symbolic and historic designs, and to make the medal an attractive and lasting recognition of the occasion. Designs will be called for in due course.

So long as the picnic basket is not attic-red the people of America are safe for democracy. Picknicking is nature's own cure for mental tautness. Picnics make us unbend, and unbending is nature's medical kit. Hobby-ing is picknicking, picknicking is unbending, unbending is shedding of mental perplexities. The till is hobby's lunch basket, old coins the sandwiches, a visit to the coin club a picnic. Asked the breed of his dog the little boy proudly replied, "He's just dog". At a numismatic picnic there are no nationalists, no religionists, no politicianists, they are all just unbending coin collectors taking nature's cure for mental tautness and nervous exhaustion.

An item from the New Zealand Numismatic Society bulletin says: "The two new Australian coins, the penny 1938 depicting a jumping kangaroo, and the three penny piece, wheat ears, are considered to be a pleasing departure from the monotonous designs formerly used on Australian coins." It pays to advertise. The Irish barn-yard coinage and the American Buffalo nickel proved popular and made the countries talked about."

Our two, three and twenty cent pieces are not the only coins that have gone Limbo. Speaking of the English dislike of the three penny piece, Professor J. Rankine Brown of New Zealand said: "I encountered more of these coins in one day in New Zealand than during the whole time I was in England." Also, "The natives at Kingston, Jamaica, refuse to accept the coins of England bearing the portrait of the new King, indicating a native distrust for change."

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By THOMAS L. ELDER

### Picayune Stuff

THE sale catalogers, report a good deal of bother with minor kickers at their sales. These kick all the way from the condition enumerated to the 5% commissions charged or 2 or 3c in postage and then some. It has been found that usually the old stand-bys who have been patronizing the auctions for many years, seldom complain. It is usually a few new small fry, who give their association numbers after their signature, who assume such importance. Well, association numbers while desirable, do not guarantee anything. No collector could borrow five dollars on his record as a member of any numismatic society. Banks require a different sort of reference, when making loans. As the writer has noted more than once, the best catalogers do not use a big strong glass in cataloging coins but the naked eye. That is the custom, and any other custom is bound to run him onto the rocks, as if he uses too strong a glass and makes too big a mention of any small defects the owner of the coin suffers very badly. The cataloger's position is peculiar and difficult. The worst cranks are those seeking "brilliant proofs." Well, as heretofore noted, some coins don't come in brilliant proof and after running around to all the dealers for a year or so such collectors will make that discovery. Other such coins are so rare as to be almost priceless, something like a proof 1804 cent, which is not known to exist, neither is such

a 1799 cent known. A few collectors specialize on color, yes the color of a coin. If it has to be red, it has to be redder than any henna head ever seen, without a spot or flaw on it, void of anything which could be called a "finger mark", a term which covers a multitude of sins. If these gentlemen do not come down off their perch a bit they are going to find less sale catalogs to bid with and less coins to compete for at auction. With slow pays, poor pays and no pays growing in number, not to mention kickers, there really is not much inducement to hold coin sales today. Catalogers should be encouraged; they have proven the life of collecting in the past and register the very latest sales records and prices. However, if collectors can't stand such good news, well and good, they may have less of it hereafter.

### An Auction Sale In 1902

A coin auction, yes.—When? 1902—Thirty-six years ago, in New York City. Where? In a low, two story building, a small building, yes, a plain and unpretentious place in the "thirties", on the East side of Fourth Avenue. The writer entered the second floor room after the sale had commenced; it was not a large room. Near the door, upraised on a small platform sat the auctioneer, H. C. M. Near him a pompous old gentleman, bald-headed, his head somewhat shiny, his face florid. He wore on his chin a small, snow-white goatee.—He wore a Prince Albert coat and white vest. He was dolled up. His air was imperious. Slowly he called out his bids and his lengthy list of nomdeplumes ran the gamut of the alphabet. The sale dragged slowly along. There were pauses when Mr. Low stopped the auctioneer to explain the fine points of a certain coin with remarks. "It was the finest one I have met with in forty years" and

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so on. There was something of the courtly manner about Mr. Low's method of selling coins at auction.—And what of the audience, the bidders? There were fine looking men of substantial character doing the bidding. The average ages ran from 40 to 70 years. Who were these collectors of 36 years ago? The writer will remember some present on that day. The name "Charles" was called at times—Charles Podhaiski, a lineal descendant of Stanislaus, King of Poland; the younger Ed Frossard was there; Mr. Carey, a Brooklyn real estate dealer; Joe Mitchelson and a youngish slender man with a brown goatee, Elliot Smith; Wm. H. Woodin; B. L. Belden; Wm. Poillon; Henry C. Miller; H. T. Dawson; Carl Wiertzbach and perhaps Wm. P. Brown and J. W. Scott.—A very interesting sale and audience, that.

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<b>Minor</b>					
Five-cent nickels .....	—	—	—	—	—
One-cent bronze .....	148,277.00	—	\$21,000.00	169,277.00	16,927,700
Total minor .....	148,277.00	—	21,000.00	169,277.00	16,927,700
Total domestic coinage..	\$1,031,704.55	—	21,000.00	\$1,052,704.55	21,771,209

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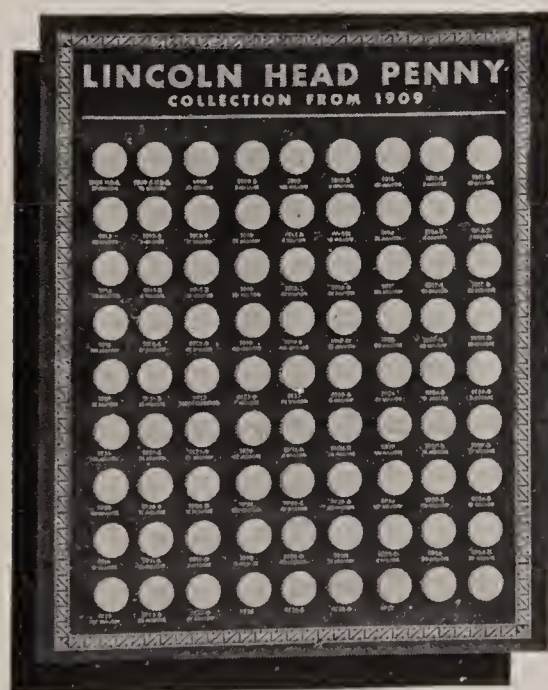
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## Basic Sources of Rare Book Information

THIS is the first in a series of articles which will, it is hoped, guide book collectors to the basic sources of rare book information.

Book collecting in this country tends to center around first editions and Americana. For this reason, questions having to do with rare books fall into several types. The most frequent usually has to do with deciding whether a certain book is a first edition. Often, this query is asked by one who thinks he has picked up a treasure in some junk shop, or five cent book bin.

Scarcely less frequent is the query having to do with the valuation of a certain item. This question logically follows the first type and frequently accompanies it.

Collectors of first editions who wish to unearth the whole writings of some author want a bibliography of his work. While bibliographies have been compiled for the outstanding authors of the past, and while these may be easily located through the *United States Catalog* and its supplements, requests for bibliographic material for living and minor authors is difficult to locate and requires special tools.

The fourth type centers around what collectors call "points" or the marks which distinguish a true first edition. For collecting purposes, it is necessary to know these in order that a first edition may be identified when met.

The remaining queries are miscellaneous in nature and have to do with the identification of various editions (chiefly of Americana); information about the productions of the various private presses; definition of terms used by rare book dealers and collectors; the location of certain items and special collections in libraries, public and private; and the identification of collectors of related interests.

Fortunately, rare book tools exist for all these special needs. The discussion which follows seeks to point these out.

### THE IDENTIFICATION OF FIRST EDITIONS

The most generally useful tool for the identification of first editions is Merle Johnson's *American First Editions; Bibliographic Check Lists of the Works of ... American Authors*. (New York, Bowker, 1936). This basic guide to the identification of American first editions of authors currently collected first appeared in 1928. It has been twice revised. The current edition, the third, does not aim to give complete bibliographies for the authors listed but does describe all major items. It is arranged alphabetically by author, and gives for each item, full title, date and place of publication. When further information is needed to distinguish a first edition, this is given in a note.

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The *Cambridge History of American Literature* (New York, Putnam, 1917-1921) and The *Cambridge History of English Literature* (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1907-1927) contain, at the end of each volume, many special bibliographies for individual authors. These locate manuscripts, list collected editions and separate works and biographical and critical material. References are consistently made to other full and complete bibliographies. Information given for each item includes title, place and date of publication. Editions subsequent to the first are frequently noted. The reprint editions (1932) of the Cambridge Histories do not include the bibliographies.

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ature published in America is Charles Evans' *American Bibliography*. (Chicago, privately printed, 1903-) Evans is essential in identifying editions. Arrangement is chronological by date of publication and each volume covers an indicated number of years. Information given for each item includes author's name with date of birth and death, title, imprint, paging and size. When possible, copies of each title are located in libraries. Each volume includes

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330 5c Blue .....	2.35	.99

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368 2c Imperforate .....	1.60	1.35
369 2c Bluish paper .....	8.00	5.50

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371 2c Imperforate .....	1.65	1.35

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372 2c Carmine .....	.17	.09
373 2c Imperforate .....	1.90	1.65

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398 2c Carmine .....	.33	.01
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403 5c Blue .....	—	.62
404 10c Orange .....	25.00	1.40

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629 2c Carmine Rose, White Plains	.11	.06
629 2c Exhibition Sheet ....	6.00	—

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644 2c Carmine, Burgoyne ..	.19	.13
645 2c Carm., Valley Forge..	.06	.02
646 2c Carm., Molly Pitcher	.06	.06
647 2c Carmine, Hawaii ....	.15	.14
648 5c Blue, Hawaii .....	.37	.37
649 2c Carmine, Aeronautics	.06	.03
650 5c Blue, Aeronautics ...	.22	.14
651 2c Carmine & Black, Clark	.06	.05

### 1929. Edison Issues. Sullivan Expedition

654 2c Car., Edison, Fl. Pl.	.05	.05
655 2c Car., Rot'y (11x10½)	.08	.01
656 2c Car., Coil p. 10 vert.	.15	.02
657 2c Carmine, Sullivan ...	.04	.03

### 1929-31. Commemoratives

680 2c Car., Fallen Timbers	.06	.06
681 2c Carmine, Ohio Canal	.04	.03
682 2c Carmine, Mass. Bay.	.04	.01
683 2c Carmine, Charleston ..	.08	.08
688 2c Carmine, Braddock ...	.04	.04
689 2c Carmine, Von Steuben	.05	.03
690 2c Carmine, Pulaski ...	.04	.01

### 1931. Commemoratives

702 2c Black & Red. Red Cross	.03	.01
703 2c Car. & Black; Yorktown	.04	.03

### 1932-34. Commemoratives

716 2c Carmine, Lake Placid	.03	.02
717 2c Carmine, Arbor Day.	.03	.01
718 3c Violet, Olympic Games	.06	.01
719 5c Blue, Olympic Game.	.07	.01
724 3c Violet, Penn .....	.04	.01
725 3c Violet, Webster .....	.05	.01
726 3c Violet, Oglethorpe ..	.04	.01
727 3c Violet, Newburgh ...	.04	.01
728 1c Green, Chicago .....	.02	.01
729 3c Purple, Chicago .....	.04	.01
732 3c Violet, N. R. A. ....	.05	.01
733 3c Blue, Byrd .....	.05	.03
734 5c Blue, Kosciusko .....	.07	.02
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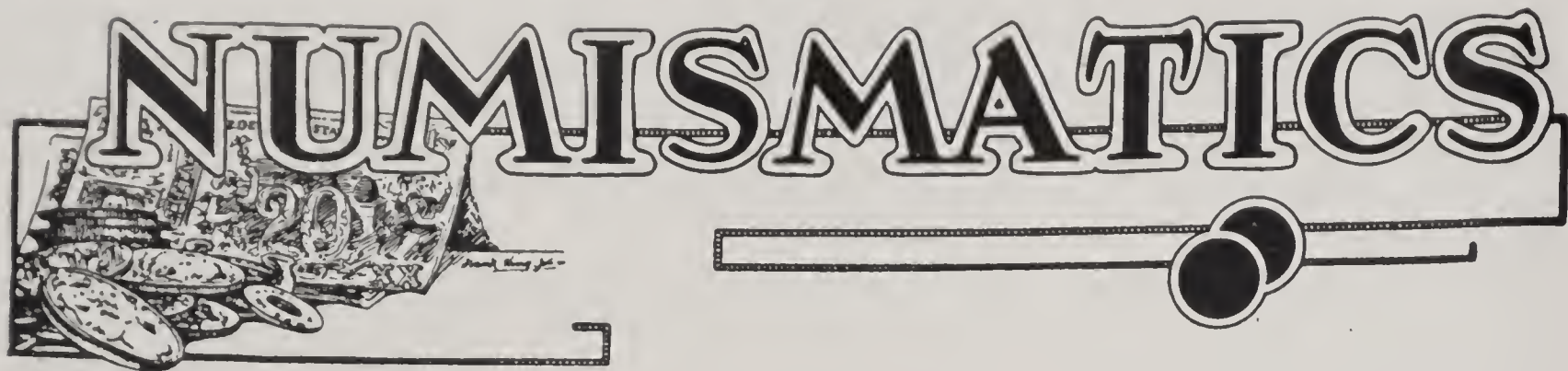


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## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

**G**ONE up in smoke". In the Mints Uncle Sam doesn't even let the smoke get away with anything. Frank J. Taylor in "California" relates:—"On the fourth floor of the Mint (San Francisco) is the precipitating system that takes the fumes, shoots them through chambers charged with 75,000 volts of electricity to settle the gold or silver dust—\$20,000 worth each year that would otherwise go up in smoke."

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As but few persons collect paper money, little is known about it by the eye. A paper bill, while a scrap of paper, is never thrown on the scrap pile or pasted in a scrap book. The following from the *Mentor*, 1922, will be of interest to those not familiar with the "workings" of paper money.

"The engraving of a plate from which money is printed takes over six months and calls for very costly machinery, such as few counterfeiters could afford to duplicate. Notes are never printed from the original plates, but from replicas. The preparation of a piece of paper money takes about thirty days, during which it is counted more than fifty times."

If your unlucky two dollar bill has had too big an unlucky antidote corner torn from it, this information from the same article may be of value:—"Of the vast amount of paper turned into the Treasury for redemption, part is re-issued, and the rest is destroyed. Many bills are received in a torn, burned, or otherwise damaged condition. Shreds of money have been rescued from threshing machines; from a cow's stomach, and from other odd places. If there are enough fragments to make three-fifths of a bill, it is redeemed at full face value; if between two-fifths and three-fifths, at half value. Smaller fragments are redeemed on proof that the rest was destroyed."

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Those that are suffering from, or blessed with, the "gold fever", will no doubt be interested in present val-

ues as compared with those of 1877. The following prices were brought at an auction sale held in New York City in April 1877:—

GOLD: Eagle, 1796, g. \$14.25; 1797, f. \$15.50; Half eagle, 1800, f. \$7.50; 1802, f. \$6.50; 1810, f. \$5.75; 1829, f. \$20.00; 1830, f. \$8.00; 1834, f. \$6.75. Quarter eagle, 1802, \$3.00; 1804, \$3.62; 1805, \$2.75; 1824, \$3.75; 1827, \$4.00; 1829, \$3.50; 1831, \$3.75.

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A set of Maundy money appeals to the religionists. Maundy coins commemorate a religious ceremony of world interest. Each year on Maundy Thursday the ruler of England has distributed a certain number of purses containing a set of Maundy coins. The money is coined at the Royal Mint especially for the occasion, and a set consists of four silver coins, one, two, three and four penny. This up-to-date method of observing Maundy Thursday is a relic of the ceremony established several centuries ago in England, during which the ruler distributed money, provisions, and clothing to the poor. Maundy Thursday is the day before Good Friday. Good Friday is the anniversary of Christ's death, and Maundy Thursday is the day Christ demonstrated his humility by washing his disciples' feet. These two days occur during Holy (Passion) Week, the last week of Lent.

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BAWBEE:—A debased silver coin representing 6 Scots pennies: first issued in 1541.

Just where this coin got the name Bawbee is a numismatic conundrum, answered only by legendary uncertainty. One of the answers, according to *Dictionary of Phrases and Fables* by Brewer is:—

"When one of the infant Kings of Scotland of great expectation was shown to the public for the preservation of order, the price of admission was in proportion to the rank of the visitant. The eyes of the superior classes being feasted, the retainers

and the nobility were admitted at the rate of six pennies each. Hence this piece of money being the price of seeing the royal babe (baby), it received the name Babie."

To be up in numismatics you must also be up in etymology.

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Having read the Numismatic section of *HOBBIES* for many months you have worked up an inspiration, and worked up an aspiration to work up a nice collection of coins, but, to be successful, you must work up a perspiration. As Edison said, "Success is composed of two ingredients, one part inspiration to 99 parts perspiration. No success has been accomplished yet without hard labor and lots of sweat.

It is often asked why issues of coins two thousand years old are plentiful while large issues of recent date are scarce. Premium value on the old coins keep them from being remelted for bullion, while in many instances premiumless coins of recent dates have been melted for the bullion profit. Stuart Mosher in the *Story of Money* gives one example:—"Among the interesting copper coins issued in China is a heavy 100 cash piece issued in Soo Chow province between 1850 and 1862. It is now almost impossible to obtain these coins. The story is that a German trader went to China about 1830, saw these huge coins and realized the intrinsic value of the metal they contained was worth several times their face value. He sold the Mandarins a vessel load of agricultural implements and weapons, specifying that payment was to be made in these 100 cash pieces. The result was that the province was scourged from end to end to meet the terms of the contract, and these coins were shipped to Germany by the ton, where they were converted into bullion at a handsome profit to the trader."

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One sure sign the general public is coin minded is the lack of scratched or nicked coins found in change. A coin collector would no sooner nick or scratch a coin than he would walk under a ladder. Years ago people used to mark coins, place them back see if they turned up again. I have seen if they turned up again. I have



never known of any but bad pennies having returned to original owners.

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Those living in apartments and denied opportunities of looking for good-luck four-leaf clovers may find equally as much fun and the same amount of luck by finding "star" bills. Each paper bill issued by the government has a serial number on it, with a letter before and after the number. If an imperfection is found in printing a bill, it is discarded and replaced with a new one with the same number, but with stars instead of letters. "Starred" bills are scarce, and are claimed to be true harbingers of good luck.

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Masachusetts—Massachusetts. The early Colonial coins spelled it Massachusetts. It would be interesting if someone up in spelling-ology would advise us if the change in spelling was done all at once or by graduations.

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Gold coins are no longer in circulation; very few of them were in circulation even when they were freely minted. If gold coins are not carryable, then why has gold always been the favorite basic material for money? The Lincoln Library of Essen-

tial Information gives a few reasons:

**GOLD:** Large value in small bulk. One million dollars is represented by less than 3 cubic feet of gold; making it convenient to transport and economical to store. It is homogeneous: Pure gold is all of the same grade. There are many grades of cotton and of wheat, but only one of pure gold. It is malleable and tenacious: Making it particularly adaptable for coining. It is scarcer: All the gold stocks in the world, assembled, would make a block less than 30 feet square. Moreover, the supply cannot be rapidly increased; the annual production even under the most favorable conditions has never exceeded five per cent of the existing stocks.

And while on the subject, let's repeat what some one said about the precious metal:—"Gold goes in at any gate, except Heaven's."

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According to Spinks a famous numismatic authority has shoved the Lydians back to second place as being the first minters of coins. He claims: "The earliest coins consisted of an alloy of silver and gold, namely electrum. By the study of these coins, Dr. Giesecke has come to the conclusion that the Milesians, and not the Lydians, as here-to-fore believed, were the inventors of these coins."

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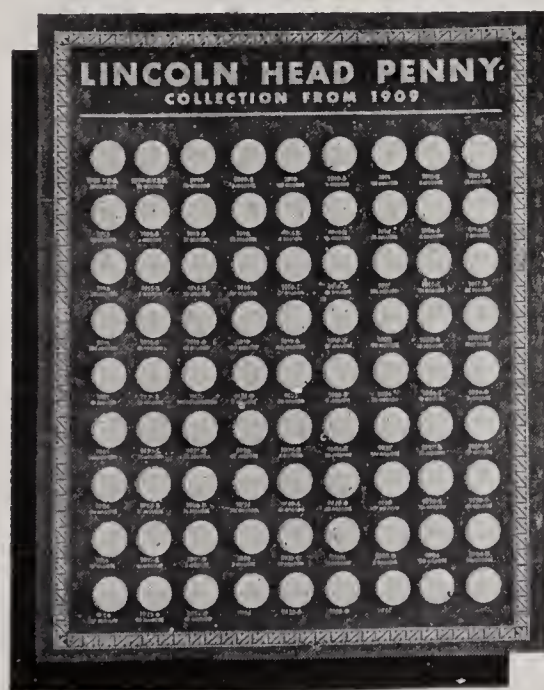
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"A curious feature of the coins issued in 1937 is that 53,069,400 of them bore the "head", or effigy of King George V, and were accordingly dated 1936. This must cause disappointment to those who have been hoarding 1936 coins believing that as King George died in January 1936, coins of that year would become rare and valuable."

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## Recollections of An Old Collector

By THOMAS L. ELDER

IN reading comments by rival editors in numismatic fields in 1884 we come across some queer and interesting things. Mr. Steigerwalt pokes fun at Messrs. Mason and Frossard, his contemporaries. He quotes Mason as saying that \$427 in quarters, would make 100 standard dollars, or one hundred trade dollars \$475 of the same coins." "We are aware that Uncle Sam tried to make a little profit on the coinage," writes Steigerwalt, "but he adds, "We don't think he is quite as avaricious as that." Frossard," he says, "has evidently been studying Papal history so thoroughly that it is hardly to be wondered that he gets a little bewildered on American dates, and makes the assertion that 'Pius IX died in 1799, "two years after the death of Washington!"

The Anthon medal was then mentioned. Anthon was President of the Am. N. & A. Society that year. By the by Steigerwalt that year advertised some American coins for sale at prices that would have tickled the collector of today. A very good slug for \$65. A 1795 half eagle, with a few, not many scratches, for \$8.50. An 1802 half eagle, very fine for

\$6.50. An excellent specimen of the 1794 dollar for \$75. A brilliant proof Gobrecht dollar of 1836 for \$12. But here's what pains many today, "a brilliant proof cent of 1856 for \$6.00. Steigerwalt sold a little of everything from Stone Axes to autographs. Alas, his ambitions got him. He bought an immense residence at Lancaster soon after and lived in it all alone, as a bachelor. Hard times overtook him. Then came finally the news that he had hung himself to a door-knob. A sad end to a man well posted in coins.

### Notes of Ancient Numismatics

Leonard & Co., held a sale of coins in Boston in 1869. Let me see, the writer had not yet landed on this earth that year. Mason held his second sale of coins in Philadelphia on April 13th and 14th, 1869. There was also in that year held at Montreal, "an important sale of the Bronson Collection," at No. 361 Notre Dame Street. Prices however were bad for U. S. Coins. Well, a 1793 cent sold for "three cents." And that was not all, by hec! "An entire collection of U. S. Cents, with varieties from 1793 to 1857, inclusive sold for the paltry

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sum of \$2.25." Mason waxes sarcastic as he adds in description "Will some of our Canadian friends let us know when the next sale comes off in their Dominion, and we will put a hundred or two hundred dollars in our pockets and pay them a visit." "Look at our last Philadelphia sale" he adds, "blush for your country. We had 950 lots, and realized \$1500, an average of nearly \$1.75 each."

Who purchased the coins at sales in 1869? Here are some of the buyers at the great Mackenzie sale: Rhodes, a Pittsburgher, Read, Elliott, Mason, Sanford, Wood, Clemens, Levick (Old Joe. I knew him well and sold coins for him. He attended my old sales), Keeny, Bonham, Betts, Cogan (a great old cataloguer in New York), Winsor, Cohen (who owned an 1804 dollar, a Baltimore collector), Payfer, and so on. Actually a Chain American cent sold for \$145 at that sale, rare and valuable even then. You see, collectors, coin sales were going full tilt in the year 1869, and even before that.

At that time Colonel Cohen, the important collector referred to, exhibited a "Washington cent of 1791 in gold!" We have never heard of another.

Thomas & Son, sold the coins for Mason in Philadelphia in those early days. That was before the time of Davis & Harvey, or at least before they got started selling coins. Mason advertised a good 1856 eagle cent for \$1.50 that year, 1869. Another very fine \$1.75, another "proof \$2.50." How would some of you like to be able to jump back there and pull in a few chances like these?

We read that in 1869. "Two representatives of the Essex County Numismatic and Archaeological Society of Newark, N. J. (page Hines!) popped in on the Mason editors, and had a very pleasant visit. Their names were Joseph LeLarge and J. W. Poinier. Who now living remembers them? Nobody I can think of except Henry Hines, and he might not have yet begun to think about coins in 1869. He was a mere kid then. How about it, Henry? And the antique Essex Society whoever heard of that even? Mason had opened a New York branch in 1869, at No. 54 Wall Street. Imagine! Here was a live firm of numismatic dealers of over 65 years ago. Mason declares that in 1869 there were in the U. S. and Canada, as near as he could figure it "about one thousand regular and experienced coin collectors." In that year there were three numismatic journals published. He complains of the times, which were hard, post-war deflation had set in, aftermath of the great Civil War. But he averred it was a good time to gather new specimens. Haseltine had a coin sale that year, I mean the Captain in Philadelphia,



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who died not so very long since. Some reporter attended the sale and gave a garbled account to a New York paper which published the exaggerated account, meriting a "cow-hiding" so Mason prints. There was some reflection as to the genuineness of the sale itself. It appeared the special notice which got Mason's goat was the reporters account that he doubted that the "Jefferson cent" had sold for \$145 at the sale. It was dated 1795. It is known to have been a counterfeit of the period when dated. So Mason goes and writes a long letter to the paper calling on them to print it in explanation, which they evidently did.

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### Unusual Numismatic Activity

The Spring and Summer have witnessed unusual activity among numismatists in the United States. The removal of one large cataloger's business from New York has resulted in a flood of dog-day "auction sales" in both July and August. One cataloger apologizes by saying, he "knows it is hot all right," then goes on to enumerate the gems he offers. Hot it is, and it requires unusual enthusiasm over coins to pore over catalogs in dog-days. There is also stamp activity, and stamp sales are being held. There are catalogers and catalogers. Some of the newcomers specialize in "U. S. Coins," and we see little else in their catalogs. The offering of merely one or two classes of coins at a sale presents a drab and dreary session of little educational or historical interest. The plain American series is as a rule void of mental uplift, it is one of purely diversion for the mind, rest perhaps from heavy mental efforts. One might collect only U. S. Coins for fifty years and yet remain provincial, in the writer's opinion. Apparently the more interesting European series and the ancients are being flagged and neglected by many. Copper coins of the world are being avoided although as interesting as any and as widely diversified, covering all ages from 400 B. C. to the present. There is something simian-like which leads collectors to take up suddenly a series, which had lain dormant for years. Apparently

the average collector watches his neighbor and then starts to collect the same thing as others collect. There is a swarm of small dealers, who bid under the market at the sales expecting to get something cheap. The dealers are also being constantly bombarded for price lists whereas it is next to impossible to issue a price list on account of changing prices. We get reports also of dealers being roundly abused by new and young collectors for not furnishing them small U. S. Cents from price lists several years old, which priced cents at less than any reputable dealer would himself pay for the coins today. The writer recently offered 25 large cents for \$2.50. A small collector in Pittsburgh then sent him a list of 25 different dates he wanted for the \$2.50 including scarce dates, and he wouldn't even offer to pay postage on the same. He got his remittance returned. He got also an abusive letter, sent by this collector on refusing his offer.

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### Something to Collect

To those beginners who wonder what to collect, there is an interesting field to be opened up in political tokens, namely the early Presidential Series, like the medals and tokens of Andrew Jackson, Martin Van Buren, Henry Clay and William H. Harrison. There is also a most fascinating field of the Medals and Tokens of Abraham Lincoln, also those of the unsuccessful candidates who ran, but did not get elected, such as Stephen A. Douglass, John Bell, Lewis Cass, John C. Fremont, Samuel J. Tilden, Horace Greeley and others. These all had a series of tokens and medals at the time they ran for office, and quite a variety of each are obtainable. Gen. Geo. B. McClellan had quite a series also, in large and small issues. It is understood books are to appear shortly on the Medals and Tokens of Jackson, Van Buren, Harrison and Clay, which should cause a pick-up in that sort of collecting and help to get the minds of collectors off limited fields. The Hard Times series seems somewhat neglected also, although there is ample evidence we are in hard times this very moment.

### DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1938

Denomination	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
<b>SILVER</b>					
Half dollars (proof)	\$ 251.50	—	—	\$ 251.50	503
Quarter dollars	28,125.75	—	—	28,125.75	112,503
Dimes (proof)	50.30	—	—	50.30	503
Total silver	\$28,427.55	—	—	\$28,427.55	113,509
<b>MINOR</b>					
Five-cent nickels	—	—	—	—	—
One-cent bronze	\$43,665.00	—	—	\$43,665.00	4,366,500
Total minor	\$43,665.00	—	—	\$43,665.00	4,366,500
Total domestic coinage	\$72,092.55	—	—	\$72,092.55	4,480,009

### COINAGE EXECUTED FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

COINAGE REQUESTED FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS			
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China	Silver	1/2 dollars	3,240,064 pieces



## Pattern, Trial and Experimental Pieces

*A Paper Presented to the Albany Numismatic Society*

By A. FRENCH

**P**ATTERN, Trial and Experimental pieces are to some one of the most interesting phases of coin collecting.

Pattern pieces show the attempt of designers to put over a new idea in coinage and through these pieces one can trace the evolution of the coins that were adopted. While they have a semblance to regular U. S. coins they are not legal tender.

Trial pieces were those that were struck in medals other than those intended for use. It was customary to strike a number of test specimens from the regular dies in all kinds of metals.

Often the mint engravers would do a little experimenting on their own and try this obverse with that reverse, leaving out stars or inscription, etc.

On looking over these pieces I have often wondered why they have not been adopted because to me they are far superior from an artistic standpoint than the designs put to use, but as any new change in design is up to the Coinage Committee and to Congress perhaps we can understand the whys and wherefores.

The list of these pieces is endless, requiring much explanation, so I have picked out a few of the interesting ones to speak about and this paper is, therefore, far from being a comprehensive study.

In 1789 when monies, weights and measures were being proposed a pamphlet was issued containing some suggestions. Quote "The cents for a device may have a man on one side of them, erect, comfortably clothed, and holding a spade in his hand, read. Fro. Indust. Cents Beco. Eag. meaning from Industry Cents Become Eagles. On the reverse instead of the Eagle let there be on the margin 'United States of America' and in the middle of the pieces 'Cent'. There will be a fair margin which may be lightly ornamented or crowded with Gothic taste, if it be taste."

The first cent issued did bear a similar reverse as did one of the first patterns but apparently the suggested design of the erect comfortably clothed man was not thought much of.

In 1792 quite a number of pattern coins were made at the mint in Philadelphia. The most important of these being the disme and half disme, the latter is said to have been the first pattern coin made at the mint and produced from Washington's private plate. Although included in the list of patterns it was regularly authorized by Congress. There seems to be a bit of controversy over the portrait

on the obverse, whether it be Martha Washington or just a bad imitation of Dupre's *Libertas Americana* medal.

Up until 1836 few patterns were struck at the mint. In January, 1837, Congress passed a law changing the weight of the dollar and half dollar. It was at this time, 1836, that Christian Gobrecht came into the employ of the mint and executed most of the dies. The design for the obverse of the Gobrecht dollar was submitted by Thos. Sully and the reverse by Titian Peale. When Gobrecht completed his first dollar design it was found that his name took up a prominent part in the field under the base of Liberty, so it was changed and put on the base. It is said that there were 18 of the former and 1,000 of the latter struck. These figures apply to the coin with the 26 stars on the reverse surrounding the Eagle. The one with the plain field is exceedingly rare. Gobrecht's Liberty seated obverse was used on dollars until 1878 when it gave way to the Bland Dollar, the

design of George T. Morgan. This design was used on the quarters, halves and dimes until 1891. While many dollar patterns were struck at the mint from 1836 through 1839, none appeared for circulation until the year 1840.

It is also interesting to note that patterns for the gold dollar and 2c piece were struck in 1836 but the former was not issued for circulation until 1849 and the latter in 1864 and then in a different design.

Along in 1856, Congress decided to redeem all the large copper cents and the fractional parts of the Spanish and Mexican dollars which were flooding the country, so the little flying Eagle white cent was fashioned and the following year adopted by Congress. At the end of two years the redemption had about stopped and in place of the depreciated money there was a flood of flying Eagle cents which by now had become the greater of the two evils, as people were paying bills up to two and three dollars with these cents.

About the beginning of the Civil War and religious revival, one M. R. Watkinson, a member of the clergy wrote to Mr. Chase, then Secretary of the Treasury, saying that he

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thought we should recognise the Almighty God on our Currency and made many suggestions. The first pieces to show the adoption of his idea were the half dollar and Eagle of 1861, with the Motto reading "God Our Trust". It took until 1864 for the Director of the Mint, Secretary of the Treasury, Committee on Coinage and Congress to get together on the motto and concurrent with this came the Two Cent piece, issued for circulation for the first time and being the first coin to bear the familiar motto "In God We Trust". It is to be remembered that our country was still in the midst of one of the saddest affairs of our history and more time and thought were given to affairs of war than to weights and measures, so perhaps that was the reason for the three year delay.

With the assassination of Lincoln, the end of the long war and the beginning of the reconstruction people were uneasy. And as we have seen in our own time financial disaster resulting in hoarding wherever possible, our forefathers did so too. They not only hoarded gold but every conceivable kind of coin. With this, a project was started to lessen the weight of the currency and reduce the size, to prevent hoarding and importation, but this was not carried through. There were many pattern pieces struck with this idea in mind and they are known as the standard silver series.

The first pattern piece to be struck for international use was in 1868 and the second just 6 years later but as we all know neither was adopted. There was also a little later a demand from the west for gold coins in large denominations. The 50 Dollar Gold pieces struck at the mint never emerged from the experimental stage. The gold dollar was proposed in 1877 for the purpose of stopping rivalry between gold and silver. While there were three different designs struck for the dollar there is not in existence a gold half or quarter and yet there is little doubt that these pieces were struck as mint officials have always been prompt to put in metallic form any suggestions of the Coinage Committee. Two specimens were presented to the Committee, one in gold and one in silver. It was shown that the gold was unsuitable because it could not be distinguished from the silver by the ordinary layman. While the former was worth 100 cents the silver was only worth 60c in metallic value.

During the controversy over the international and the gold coins a demand came from our minister to Austria for a coin near the value of the 8 Florin piece. The Coinage Committee favored the adoption of the coin and in so far as the Eagle and Star were emblems of our country, it should be called a Stella and should

have a value of four dollars. Several varieties of the Stella were made in 1879 and 1880 by Charles Barber and were struck in Gold, Copper, Aluminum and White Metal. Although this coin met favorably with the Coinage Committee it did not meet the approval of the Congress.

The familiar St. Gaudens Double Eagle is also a result of a pattern piece with minute changes.

It never ceases to be a source of wonder to me why patterns are not more popular today with the coin collector. I believe the reason is simply that information pertaining to them is more difficult to obtain than for most other Numismatic items. Considering their rarity, they are exceedingly reasonable compared to other coins the majority scramble for. Some patterns are unique and others have a coinage of from only 2 to 500 pieces. Their numbers cannot be compared with the Commemoratives which have run the gamut for popularity. Besides, they embrace some of the finest work of our mint engravers and designers who hold a place of their own in the Arts: and they also give us the underlying notes in our country's history.

### New Club at Cumberland, Md.

A group of collectors at Cumberland, Md., has formed the Western Maryland Coin Club, with the following officers and members forming the nucleus:

C. Fred Keyser, President, William L. Wilson, Vice President, Holmes H. Cessna, Secretary and Treasurer, Luther P. Young, Dr. Winter R. Frantz, Martin L. Johnson, Benjamin G. Charles, Paul D. Pickens, W. Carl White, Hugh M. Artz, Hagerstown, Maryland, Clarence C. Keys, Barton, Maryland, Martin L. Watson, Keyser, W. Va.

Seven more applications are on file.

### Notes

S. M. Koepfel is scheduled to speak before the Kiwanis Club of Fullerton, Calif., September 19 on, "The Romance of Our American Money." Mr. Koepfel will illustrate his talk with displays of coins from his extensive collections.

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Issued as a feature of the territorial centennial celebration planned for September, Burlington, Ia., is issuing "wooden money" in denominations of five cent, ten cent and twenty-five cent pieces. The new single ply wood is used, with attractive designs and lettering especially prepared for this event. Burlington, settled in June, 1833, at the opening of the Black Hawk purchase, was the first capital of the Iowa territory, of which Iowa became a part in 1838. A territorial centennial committee set up for the celebration is issuing the wooden

money and handling all other phases of the project.

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Cincinnati will celebrate the sesqui-centennial of the establishment of the Northwest Territory, and the 150th anniversary of its founding, with an elaborate three day program on October 2, 3, and 4. To help defray the expenses, it has issued souvenir wooden nickles which will be disposed of at face. Edward S. Horwitz, well-known Cincinnati collector, who is also Vice-President of the Public Observance Association, which is sponsoring this event with the approval and co-operation of the Mayor and the Chamber of Commerce, has been placed in charge of the distribution of these nickles.

These souvenirs come in sets of two, one printed in red and one printed in blue.

### Activities of the U. S. Mint

A report from the Bureau of the Mint, Washington, D. C., as of July 1 states that work has been finished on an order from the Chinese government for 6,479,890 Chinese coins.

They were in dollars and half dollar denominations and were minted at the San Francisco mint with silver furnished by China.

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During the last session of Congress President Roosevelt vetoed a bill that would have permitted the coinage of 100,000 silver 50-cent pieces commemorating the 400th anniversary of the journey and explorations of Francisco Vasquez de Coronado.

### It's An Old English Custom

A United Press report from London dated July 1 throws an interesting sidelight on coinage. It states:

"Great Britain's strangest trial—the trial of the pyx—has ended with a favorable verdict from a jury of 15 men of the Goldsmith's company, which since the time of Edward I has held the privilege of testing the country's coinage.

"In the twelfth century coins were made by private companies who were known to mutilate them to their own advantage. Nowadays the machinery in the royal mint is so accurate that errors are rarely discovered, but the trial of the pyx is still held annually

"Every year the pyx, or box, in which are placed one coin from every 15 pounds of newly coined gold, and one from every 60 pounds of silver, is taken to the Goldsmith's hall and opened in the presence of the jury.

"The last time an error was found was in 1925 when a sixpence was discovered to be too light by 1-250th of a grain."



## Marco Polo Visioned Paper Money in 1292

IN this city of Kanbalu is the mint of the great Khan, who may truly be said to possess the secret of the alchemists, as he has the art of producing money by the following process.

He causes the bark to be stripped from those mulberry trees the leaves of which are used for feeding silkworms, and takes from it that thin inner rind which lies between the coarser bark and the wood of the tree. This being steeped, and afterwards pounded in a mortar until reduced to a pulp, is made into paper, resembling in substance, that which is manufactured from cotton, but quite black. When ready for use, he has it cut into pieces of money of different sizes, nearly square, but somewhat longer than they are wide. Of these, the smallest pass for a half tournois; the next for a Venetian silver groat; others for two, five, and ten groats; others for one, two, three, and as far as ten bezants of gold. The coinage of this paper money is authenticated with as much form and ceremony as if it were actually of pure gold or silver; for to each note a number of officers, specially appointed, not only subscribe their names, but affix their seals also. When this has been regularly done by the whole of them, the principal officer appointed by his Majesty, having dipped into vermilion the royal seal committed to his custody, stamps with it the piece of paper, so that the form of the seal tinged with the vermilion remains impressed upon it. In this way it receives full authenticity as current money, and the act of counterfeiting it is punished as a capital offense.

When thus coined in large quantities, this paper currency is circulated in every part of the Great Khan's dominions; nor dares any person, at the peril of his life, refuse to accept it in payment. All his subjects receive it without hesitation, because, wherever their business may call them, they can dispose of it again in the purchase of merchandise they may require; such as pearls, jewels, gold, or silver. With it, in short, every article may be procured.\*

Several times in the course of the year, large caravans of merchants arrive with such articles as have just

been mentioned, together with gold tissues, which they lay before the Great Khan. He thereupon calls together twelve experienced and skilful persons, selected for this purpose, whom he commands to examine the articles with great care, and to fix the value at which they should be purchased. Upon the sum at which they have been thus conscientiously appraised he allows a reasonable profit, and immediately pays for them with this paper. To this the owners can have no objection, because it answers the purpose of their own disbursements.

When any persons happen to be possessed of paper money which from long use has become damaged, they carry it to the mint, where, upon the payment of only three per cent, they receive fresh notes in exchange. Should any be desirous of procuring gold or silver for the purpose of manufacture, such as of drinking-cups, girdles, or other articles wrought of these metals, they in like manner apply to the mint, and for their paper obtain the bullion they require.

All his Majesty's armies are paid with this currency, which is to them of the same value as if it were gold or silver. Upon these grounds, it may certainly be affirmed that the Great Khan has a more extensive command of treasure than any other sovereign in the universe. — *The Travels of Marco Polo.*

\*"Early in the ninth century, bills of exchange came into use; and from the middle of the twelfth century paper money became quite common, and is still in general use all over China, notes being issued in some places for amounts less even than a shilling." Giles, *The Civilization of China.*

### Money Talks Gold From Ashes

J. W. Towns of San Antonio, Tex., has made a fortune turning ashes into gold. Thinking ashes from a medical building might contain sweepings from dental offices, he made an assay of the contents and discovered an average of \$140 worth of gold to a ton. Now dental buildings in thirty states ship their ashes to Mr. Towns, and he sifts out the glitter. In one building's ash heap he found \$6,000 worth of gold.—*From the American Magazine.*

### He Managed, She Managed

A woman reader of this paper who was in this office yesterday, remarked that this managed currency one hears so much about is nothing new. Her first husband, she said, was the best currency manager she ever saw. He was so good that it took a lot of management to get any of it away from him.—*Thayer (Kansas) News.*

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53	1936 Lynchburg	-----	2.50
54	1936 Elgin	-----	1.25
55	1936 Albany, N. Y.	-----	1.75
56	1936 San Francisco Bay	-----	2.00
57	1936 Columbia, set of 3	-----	9.00
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## Historical Characters Portrayed on New Jersey and New York Bank Notes

By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

THIS is the third in a series of studies concerning the frequency with which historical characters are portrayed on the paper money of State banks. The first frequency list concerned the characters portrayed on Pennsylvania bank notes; the second concerned those on Ohio and New Hampshire bank notes.

This study reveals that the historical characters portrayed on the paper money of the New Jersey banks, beginning with most frequent and ending with the least frequent, are the following: 1. Washington. 2. Franklin. 3. Clinton and Charles Bismarck. 4. Jackson and Clay. 5. Lafayette. 6. Taylor. 7. General Scott, William Penn, Madison, and Marshall. 8. Columbus, Webster, and Cadwalader D. Golden. 9. Elias Boudinot, James Buchanan, William H. Harrison, General G. B. McClellan, Jenny Lind, Dolly Madison, Van Buren, Fillmore, and Lincoln.

The characters range in frequency from about seventy-five different notes with portraits of Washington to one different note with the portrait of the characters in the least frequent group.

The historical scenes and events portrayed in the order of their frequency are: 1. The Signing of the Declaration of Independence. 2. Washington on his horse at Monmouth. 3. Washington crossing the Delaware. 4. Penn's Treaty with the Indians.

The characters whose portraits are on the New York bank notes, in the order of their frequency, are as follows: 1. Washington. 2. Franklin. 3. Webster. 4. Clinton. 5. Jackson. 6. Henry Clay. 7. Martha Washington. 8. Lafayette. 9. Zachary Taylor. 10. Fulton. 11. Steuben. 12. Jefferson and Washington Irving. 13. Stuyvesant and Columbus. 14. Lincoln, William H. Harrison, Jenny Lind, and Fillmore. 15. Penn and Franklin Pierce. 16. Hamilton, General Scott, Nicholas Herkimer, Theophile Cazenovia, and J. Q. Adams. 17. Anthony Wayne, Napoleon, Henry Hudson, Hancock, John Jay, Thomas Macdonough, General Wool, Wm. H. Seward, Marshall, Van Buren, General Cass, Philip Hone, E. K. Collins, and Sir Walter Raleigh.

The historical scenes and events portrayed on the New York bank notes in the order of their frequency are: The Signing of the Declaration of Independence. 2. The Capture of

Major Andre, and Washington's Headquarters at Newburgh. 3. The Battle of New Orleans, The Landing of Columbus, Laocoon, The Surrender of Cornwallis, and Penn's Treaty with the Indians.

An analysis of the New York list shows that in the seventeen groups there are forty historical characters ranging in frequency from about two hundred different notes with portraits of Washington to one different note for each in the least frequent group. Washington is portrayed as often as all the others combined. He and Franklin lead both lists. It is also interesting to note that Jackson, Clinton, and Clay rank high in both groups. Of the events, both groups give the Signing of the Declaration of Independence first rank.

In looking over the characters in the New York list, it is interesting to note what large proportion of them are related in some way to New York history. The period of exploration is represented by Henry Hudson; the period of colonization by Stuyvesant; the Revolution by Nicholas Herkimer; the earlier and later political phases of the State by Clinton, John Jay, Philip Hone, Martin Van Buren, Wm. Seward, and Fillmore; the business phase by E. K. Collins (founder of the Dramatic Line of ships named after famous actors) and Theophile Cazenovia; and the cultural side by Washington Irving.

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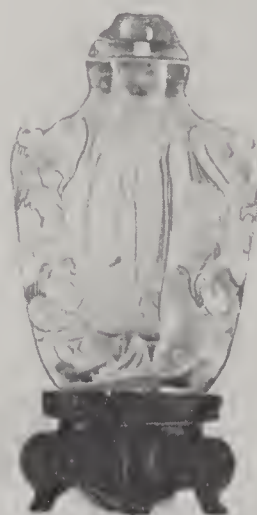
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Confed. \$50. bill, Jeff Davis, 1863	.25	Cup shape stone, agate lined, Idaho	.20	Obsidian agate, cut and pol. Gem stone	.25
\$2. bill, 1863, North Carolina	.15	Finest eut and polished halves, agate thunder eggs, all beauties, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 each. Extra large, each \$1.50	2.00	Chalcedony, translucent gem stone, cut and pol.	.25
\$2. Confed. bill, unc., crisp, 1864	.20	Desert rose stone, looks like red rose turned to stone, found only two places in the world, small 10c, others 15c ea.	.25	Carnelian cut and pol. gem stone	.25
5c bill, State of N. C., 1863	.10	Gem Moss agate, uncut, fine	.25	Large black onyx gem, faceted	.25
10c bill, State of N. C., 1863	.10	Rare Gastrolith, Dinosaur stomach stone from famous Grey Bull, Wyo., beds, only	.75	Cabochon amethyst, gem stone	.25
10c unc. Bank of Tenn. Train cars and Spanish coin	.15	Fossil fern in stone, 250 million years old	.25	Striped agate, cut and pol. gem	.15
50c unc. Bank of Tenn. Train cars and 2 Spanish coins	.15	Fossil sea urchin 20c, Fossil spiral shell, Tenn. Ancient Arrowhead, Lake Biwa, Japan, genuine, rare	.15	2 color agate, fine, cut and pol.	.25
\$5. Confed. bill, crisp, unc., 1864	.20	Ancient scraper, Tasmania, Australia, rare	.35	Gem Garnet, African, faceted, cut and pol.	.25
Unc. \$10. Confed. bill, 1864	.15	Chalcedony arrowhead, Pense, Sask., Canada	.25	Faceted amethyst gem stone, approx. 2 ct.	.75
\$20. Confed. bill, good, 1864	.15	Beauty Chalcedony hide scraper, Canada	.10	Faceted Topaz gem stone, cut and pol., 2 ct.	.75
Confed. \$1. bill, crisp, 1864	.20	Jasper knife blade, Honduras, Central America	.35	Large Aventurine cut and pol. gem stone	.75
Confed. \$50. bill, Moneta & Chest, rare	.50	Flint arrowhead, Ontario, Canada, only	.10	African blue jasper gem, cut and pol., large	.45
Confed., 1863, \$10. bills, rare	.25	Ancient Obsidian arrowhead, near Mexico City	.25	Chinese jade, carved gem	.45
Confed. \$2.00 bill, 1863, rare	.15	Slender thin long obsidian flake used as knives by Aztecs and Mayas, Old Mexico, rare	.50	Cabochon cut Chinese jade	.35
Confed. \$50. bill, 1864, Jeff Davis	.25	Have just returned from a 15 day trip to Mexico City, have nice lot obsidian work from near the Temple of the Sun, arrowheads, knives, jadeite beads, etc.	.35	Cut and pol. Hematite, beauty gem	.30
\$10. Miners & Planters Bank, N. C., 1860	.25	Jadeite beads, Old Mexico, rare, each 25c	.35	Labradorite, cut and pol. gem	.45
\$5. bill Valley Bank of Maryland, 1856	.25	Ancient pottery effigy heads, used as offerings to Sun God and others, ea. 50c, 75c.	1.00	Thompsonite, cut and pol. gem	.35
\$10. Merchants & Planters Bank, Ga., 1860	.25	Obsidian cores, Temple of Sun, Mexico, rare ea.	1.00	Cabochon aventurine quartz, fine, gem	.35
\$10. Eastern Bank of Alabama, unc.	.25	Fine grooved axe, Ills., perfect, ea. \$1.50 \$2.	2.50	Sardonyx cameo gem, fine	.25
\$10. Eastern Bank of Alabama, unc.	.25	Rare double grooved axes, each	3.00	Large Austrian opal, cabochon cut and pol.	1.50
50 bill, Summit Co. Bank, Ohio, unc., 1862	.10	Good grooved hematite axe head, each \$2.50	3.00	Large topaz, approx. 15 ct., faceted beauty	2.50
10c bill, Summit Co. Bank, Ohio, unc., 1862	.10	Grooved axe, good, Utah, each	3.00	Cut and pol. Moss agate gem	.25
50c bill, 1874, Bradford Furnace Co., Va.	.10	Grooved axe, Arizona, each	2.00	3 different cut gems	.25
\$100. Confed. bill, Mrs. Pickens, 1864	.35	Pepper mortar and pestle, Old Mexico, modern	1.00	Large Orbicular agate, cut and pol. fine	.75
\$100. Confed. bill, Train of cars, 1862	.25	Ancient pottery vessel, small, Panama, effigy	3.00	Turquoise gem cut and pol.	.20
\$100. Confed. bill, Negroes loading cotton, 1861	.75	Pretty chalcedony knife blade, small	.10	Carnelian scarab gem, modern, large	1.00
\$100. Confed. bill, Negroes hoeing cotton, 1862	.35	Ancient medicine mortar, stone, Mexico	3.00	Moon stone gem cut and pol. a gem	.50
Confederate 50c bill, pink, 1864	.10	Ancient stone pestle, Mexico	1.50	Large cabochon agate, gem, pol.	.30
\$1. Virginia Treasury Note, 1862	.15	Fine bell pestle, Alabama, large, only	1.00	Pink tourmaline, cut and pol.	.50
\$3. bill, State of Miss., unc., Indian & Soldier	.25	Genuine ancient bone fish hook, Moundbuilders, very rare, each	2.00	Rare sun stone, cut and pol., gem	.25
\$2. bill, State of Miss., unc., Ship & Sailor	.25	Beautiful high color pottery, Mexico, ea. 75c.	1.00	Scotch stone, smoky quartz, faceted, large	.50
\$1. State of Alabama bill, 1863	.15	5 fine assorted chalcedony blunts	.25	Siam ruby, faceted, over 2 ct.	2.00
\$20. bill, Confed., 1861, rare	.25	Beauty Jasper hide scraper	.10	Large fine amethyst, over 2 ct.	1.50
\$10. bill, Confed., 1861, rare	.25	Agate hide scraper, fine	.10	Tortuga opal, gem stone, Mexico	.75
\$5. Colonial Bank, Canada, 1859, unc., beauty	.35	2 Sugar Quartz Arrowheads, good	.15	Swiss Lapis cut and pol., gem	.35c
Continental Note, over 150 years old	.75	100 broken arrowheads, fine study	.35	Dark green New Zealand Jade, gem stone	.50
50 Shillings, Continental note, 1773	.75	25 old stone age arrowheads, crude	.35	Abalone gem, cut and pol.	.20
6 Shilling, Continental note, 1777	.75	Slender Caddo Fish arrowhead, good	.10	Large carved chalcedony gem	.75
10c bill, State of Ga., 1863	.10	Pretty Chalcedony fish arrowhead, slender	.15	Sardonyx, cut and pol. gem	.20
\$5. bill, State of Ga., Gen. Oglethorpe, 1862	.15	Fine large old spinning wheel, complete	15.00	Faceted onyx gem stone	.15
\$5. bill State of Ga., Gen. Oglethorpe, 1865	.15	Fine large old Ox yoke, complete	15.00	Large drilled pottery wampum, Grave find	.20
\$10. bill State of Ga., 1863, ea.	.25	Gem Opal Bird point, modern, beauty	1.50	3 drills, Alabama	.25
\$50. bill State of Ga., 1865, ea.	.25	Beauty red and black Obsidian spear, Indian made	.75	3 drills, Arkansas	.25
Large old Turkish bill, queer	.10	Black gem obsidian spear head, Indian made	.75	Stone celt, Virginia, rare	.50
Large 5 Peso bill, Mexico, Eagle and Snake	.10	Finest thin black obsidian arrow. Pomo Indian	.50	Caddo Stone grave celt, good	.35c
Large 5 Peso bill, Mexico, red back	.10	Long slender select war point, beauty	.50	Pitche collectors, 8 different pottery and glass pitchers, med. size, assorted colors, etc., all	2.25
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Austrian 1 Kronen bill, 10 Kronen bill, both	.10	12 Jasper arrowheads, Louisiana	.48	Fine granite Adz, select	.75
German genuine war money, 10,000 mark bill 15c, Twenty thousand mark bill 15c, 1 Million mark note 15c, 10 Million mark note 15c, 5 Million mark note 15c, 50 Million mark note 15c, 100 Million mark note 20c, 500 Million mark note 20c, 500,000 Mark note 15c all genuine.	.15	12 Jasper arrowheads, Alabama	.48	Flint adz, good	.25
Large U. S. Copper Cent, good	.15	12 Jasper arrowheads, Mississippi	.48	Select flint chisel	.25
Flying Eagle Cent, good	.15	1000 broken arrowheads \$3. I recently sold 10,000 to one man to set in cement for a store front.	1.50	Ancient black flint digger	.25
White Indian Head Cent	.15	100 crude scrapers, thick heavy blades, rough scalers, fleshers, etc., many are chalcedony, 100 for	1.50	Stono ago stemmed hoe, stone	.25
3c U. S. Nickel coin	.15	Thousands of people have visited my store this summer. It has been a pleasure to meet the many who have stopped to see me. Most bought relics, curios, etc., from my large stock to fill in their collections. We will be here at Hot Springs when you come again and all are welcome to come at any time and look around. To those who have never visited this National Park and playground of Dixieland we invite you to come and see. You will be pleasantly surprised at the beauty of our scenery, the hospitable accorded visitors and the numerous interesting places and things to see and do. September, October and November sees this wonderful country at its best. Ask a friend who has been here.		Caddo notched tomahawk head, small, select	.35
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3 Blue Hudson Bay Fur Co. Trade beads	.10	Small fine flint Awl, beauty, keen	.15	Ancient arrowhead with shaft and feathers put on by an old Cheyenne arrowmaker, Sinew fastened	1.00
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Canada Nickel, 5c, Dak Leaves, fine	.10			Creamy white arrowhead, pretty	.15
Travancore, Tiny Chuckrum, copper	.10			Wide heavy game arrowhead	.10
Baroda, large copper, 1/2 anna, thick, fine	.15			White quartz arrowhead	.10
Bulgaria, Nickel, 2 1/2 Stotinki	.10			Old mottled flint arrowhead, good	.10
Columbia, S. A. 2 1/2c Nickel	.05			One barbed arrowhead, very odd	.15
100 Reils Nickel, Brazil	.05			Texas flint arrowhead, select	.15
Queer Turkish Coin	.05			Colored chalcedony arrowhead	.10
2 1/2 Nickel, Rep. of Panama	.05			Long slender copper needle or awl	.10
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# NUMISMATICS

## NUMISMATIC THOUGHTS

By FRANK C. ROSS

THE best argument for owning a collection of old coins is found in the following verse (slightly paraphrased) of a poem (author unknown to me):

*And when your hair is turning gray  
and years are growing long,  
Your heart—instead of drying up  
—will hold a merry song;  
For old coins have a way with them  
of making friends, and all,  
And make such dandy LEANING  
POSTS as life's Spring turns to Fall.*

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Hearing one collector remark "I have a new coin that is old", and another say "I have an old coin that is new", Coinic asks to be told, "When's an old coin new and a new coin old?"

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Old Greek and Roman coins were not dated, but the era of mintage of most of them can be approximated by the style of the coins, and the names of rulers and the designs on the pieces. Thus written history is corroborated by coins. Our coins of today will be corroboratives of tomorrow.

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Many centuries ago butter was a substitute for money in Ireland. Collectors probably nick-named their old butter-money Rancid.

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"Be sure your sins will find you out", even though you do not leave finger prints. A purse snatcher found a gold dollar in a snatched pocket-book. His covetousness exceeded his caution; he had it appraised by a coin dealer. The thief later admitted his guilt when identified by the dealer.

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In remote parts of Alaska fish are still used as money. Depressions and recessions depend on "how the fish are biting." Bet it is impossible to enforce anti-seining laws.

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It is said it costs France two sous to make a one sou coin. "It takes money to make money." No danger of their being counterfeited. It is

like swimming up-stream with the current carrying you down two strokes length to every forward stroke.

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On a recent job WPA workers were found lustily wielding picks and shovels instead of leaning on them, working during lunch time and after hours. Before paging Ripley it was decided to investigate this unbelievable. One of the workers had unearthed a twenty dollar gold piece, and the WPA's turned from laborers to gold-diggers. Coins and other valuables worth \$20,000 were the overtime pay to the miners. The site was a debris dumping ground of the San Francisco earthquake disaster of 1906.

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Children's playthings come and go, and then in time forgotten. But the hobby-horse has a secure place in history. It will be out of use but not out of mind, for it has been memorialized on a coin. A square coin was minted in Germany, 1650, showing a child astride a hobby-horse. The coins were distributed amongst the children participating in the celebration of peace after the Thirty Years War. Bicycles, tricycles and scooters have replaced the hobby-horse, but coinage has saved it from oblivion.

### DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING THE MONTH OF JULY, 1938

Denomination	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
<b>SILVER</b>					
Half dollars .....					
Quarter dollars .....	\$152,000.00			\$152,000.00	608,000
Dimes .....		\$115,000.00	\$100,000.00	215,000.00	2,150,000
Total silver .....	\$152,000.00	\$115,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$367,000.00	2,758,000
<b>MINOR</b>					
Five-cent nickels .....					
One-cent bronze .....	\$114,540.00		\$15,000.00	\$129,540.00	12,954,000
Total minor .....	\$114,540.00		\$15,000.00	\$129,540.00	12,954,000
Total domestic coinage .....	\$266,540.00	\$115,000.00	\$115,000.00	\$496,540.00	15,712,000

### COINAGE EXECUTED FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

At Philadelphia Mint					
Colombia .....	Nickel .....	5 Centavos .....		3,867,026 pieces	
Colombia .....	Nickel .....	1 Centavo .....		3,600,000 pieces	
				7,467,026 pieces	

A coin collector is one who kills the sordidness of the "evil root" and makes money blossom forth in luxuriant bloomage.

Old coins collected and kept become hooks for old age to hang its pleasures on.

Every dollar spent for old coins is a payment on an old age security policy against dotage and passe-ism.

Old coins collected in the Sunrise of life make more pleasant life's Sunset.

A coin collection is a co-laborer of youth, a pal of middle age, a cane for the old folks.

One Roman coin has on it a comet, said to represent the ghost of Caesar. After Caesar's assassination by Brutus, certain gladiatorial games were dedicated to his memory. During seven days of the games a comet appeared in the skies. The populace believed it to be the ghost of Caesar, and a commemorative coin was struck in memory thereof.

Over here when a coin outlives—or doesn't live up to—its usefulness the government calls it in. The turn-in however is far from 100%, for the order "turn in" from the government means "hold out" to a coin collector, consequently called-in coins are seldom rarities. The trade dollar for instance.

Over there it is different. A clique of Chinese Communists put out an issue of Globe and Sickle dollars, with a communistic motto on it. The Chinese government did not like it. They did not trouble to "call it in"; they simply sent out a warning that any one found with one of the dollars would be decapitated, and they made



no exceptions to recognized coin collectors. The coins immediately went A-W-O-L P-D-Q.

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Gold, by Oliver Herford: Some take their gold in minted mold and some in harps hereafter, but give me mine in tresses fine and keep the change in laughter.

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We had been brought up to believe that fractional currency was called shin-plasters because the soldiers placed them in their shoes to keep their shins warm, but Dr. Kenneth J. Sartoris, quoting David Proskey, in a paper read before the Albany Numismatic Society debunks that bedtime story with this substitute: "On March 3rd, 1863, Congress authorized the second issue, changing the type, size and grade of paper. Also it decreed that from now on the official title of the money should be fractional currency. The term shin-plaster was soon attached to them. It is thought that this term was derived from the fact that in the "good old days" the post boys and riders on toll roads used to carry the toll fees in the top of their boot leg so the toll gatherer could collect with little delay."

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There are about \$2,000,000. in frac-

tional notes still unredeemed, with the likelihood they never will be cashed in, for those that have not been lost or destroyed are now in the hands of collectors and worth more than face value as old money.

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If any one thinks the collecting of state tax tokens is not a going concern, he has another think coming. Read this item from the K. C. Times: Forrest Smith (state auditor) believes tourists carry off many mills as souvenirs. Smith could not estimate how many were carried off by tourists, but he believed the number high. The auditor said the intrinsic value of a 1-mill token was almost 1 mill, so the state did not make any money when visitors carried them off.

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A far-sighted, business-headed little woman of Iowa does not share the general opinion of a coin collection being merely a hubby's hobby. "I don't imagine the value of coins will shrink during the years, so I figure the collection as a larger insurance fund for mamma and the kids. That is really the way I look upon this collection hobby—just so much insurance. By taking an interest in his collection and learning values—I consider I am insuring my insurance."

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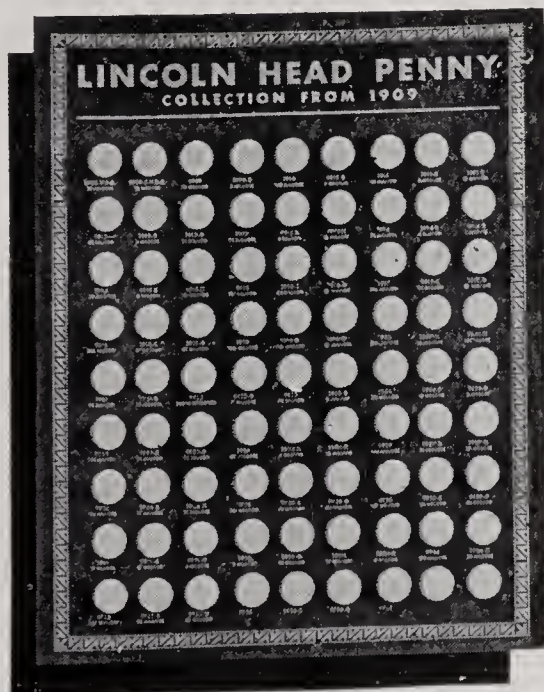
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## GRAPHS

*From the A. N. A.  
CONVENTION,  
Columbus, Ohio,  
August 13-18*

*By FRANK C. ROSS*

**MONEY TALKS.** Had the million dollar exhibit of old money made a speech, its voice would have been heard around the world.

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**COLONIAL DAYS.** If prizes had been awarded, T. James Clarke of Jamestown, N. Y., would easily have won the blue ribbon with his collection of Massachusetts colonial silver. Mr. Clarke's collection is the most complete of any in the United States and valued at around \$50,000. It includes the N. E., Willow tree, Oak tree, Pine tree, 6 pence, 3 pence, first struck in 1652, and the first coins minted in the United States.

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**"WHEE-EUW, IT'S HOT".** Edith Ruhl, the registrar of the Convention Bureau of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, took care of the weather. With each badge handed out went this advice from Miss Ruhl, "to keep cool—don't say 'WHEE-EUW'". Her advice was more effective than an electric fan.

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**COME GROW OLD ALONG WITH ME.** In the Chinese display of Bill the Coin Man was a Chinese coin, iron, called Trigrams, minted about 2205 B. C. Although over four thousand years old it is still in fine condition.

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**KEEP YOUR EARS ATTUNED.** An elderly lady asked Secretary Harry T. Wilson, "What is a pint of old coins worth?" Harry thought she said "pint of old corn", and promptly answered, "I never drink old 'corn', but pure old bourbon is worth about a dollar a pint."

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**FAST ON HIS FEET.** Streamliner Oscar Schilke covered more ground and did more work than any three men there. He operates like chain lightning. No wonder his home state, Connecticut, under his supervision, boasts of a State Association, six local clubs, and two more being organized.

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**SCRIPS OF PAPER.** Ohio uses paper tax tokens; they are stamp sized, and stamp appearance; many denominations, sizes, and types. Luther H. Whitt of Dayton, Ohio, was kept busy explaining to visitors from out of the state that his display

*Some of the visitors to the A.N.A. convention held in Columbus, Ohio, August 13-18.  
J. Henri Ripstra, Chicago (center with book) was re-elected president.*







1907 A. N. A. convention group.

At the Neil House, Columbus, Ohio, September 2-4.

From an original photo owned by Charles A. Davis, Boston, Mass.

Reproduced copies of the original picture were fittingly shown by Horace M. Grant of Providence, R. I., at the recent A. N. A. convention in Columbus.

First row: Messrs. Gies, Wright, Heath, Zerbe, Wood, King, Frey, Green, Leon.

Second row: Messrs. Yawger, Schwartz, S. H. & H. Chapman, Granberg.

Third row: Messrs. Ginn, Elder, Duffield, Williams, Misner.

Back row: Messrs. Clark, Coover, Marcuson, Keech, Walworth, Mitchelson, Buck, Whitsett, Henderson.

was one of tokens and not postage stamps.

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A MARK OF DISTINCTION. The most disappointed visitor was the party that brought a collection of twenty-six coins, each coin holed, for appraisal. When told they were not even worth face value, he sighed and said, "Years ago some one told me a hole in a coin was a mark of distinction, and I have been saving them ever since."

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A WELCOME VISITOR. Col. John A. Hooper, Sr., and wife, of Los Angeles, were among the prominents who visited the convention. Mr. Hooper is the son of Joseph John Hooper, a charter member and one of the early presidents of the A.N.A.

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THE FALLS OF MANY-HA-HAHS. Indians placed stones under falling water; the constant dripping wore the stones down, and they were then used as mortars in which to grind grain into meal. E. M. Eversole took so many shower baths the dripping water reduced him to a human mortar.

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LIFE'S DARKEST MOMENT. A young lady wished to take back home, as a souvenir, the proud boast that she "shook hands with, smiled at, and said her piece" to the famed Max Mehl. After a two days grill her introducing sponsor found an opening, but just as the ceremonies started it flashed across her mind that her front, upper teeth plate was up in her room. The amiable and gentlemanly Max gave her all he had, but in her discomfiture all she could give

him was a wobbly hand shake, a gashly smile, and a mumbled howdy.

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THE FINAL TOUCH. Did Columbus put on a good show? Let the visitors answer. From all corners came the remark, "I wish they would hold the convention in Columbus again next year."

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STARTED ON A SHOE STRING. Charles H. Fisher of Cleveland, Ohio, never tired relating the smart things his pets did. Charley started on a bull-frog and built up a Big Top sized menagerie. His latest addition according to him (believe it or not), is a pet rattle snake that wags its tail when he pats its head.

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J. Henri Ripstra of Chicago was reelected president, Merrill Sheldon, also of Chicago, was elected secretary.

How Nice!

Hubby—The bank has returned that check.

Wife—Isn't that splendid! What can we buy with it this time?—*Kansas City (Mo.) Post.*

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Picked Up At Luncheon

Lloyd Klose was not far from the truth when he said: "I'm not so sure about the evil of it, but money must be the root of something or other the way we all dig for it."—*Temple Topics.*

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We've tried both ways, and it's just about as hard to live within an income as it is to live without one.—*Olin Miller, in the Kansas City, Mo. Star.*

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By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

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As a means of increasing interest in the study of the Constitution and an understanding and greater appreciation thereof, the Sesquicentennial Commission arranged a nation-wide series of declamatory, essay, and oratorical contests open to the children of public, private, and parochial schools. For the state winners in the contests, an official Constitution Sesquicentennial medal of silver was set up as the award. For those placing

second, the award set up was a similar medal of bronze.

The medal is of distinctive workmanship and has numerous attractive designs of outstanding historical significance. The obverse bears an engraving after Howard Chandler Christy's painting of the event. The central design is a desk on which is a copy of the Constitution at the heading of which can be read the words "We the People". About the desk are Washington, Hamilton, Madison, Read, Sherman, Pinckney, Livingston, Morris, and King.

On the reverse side of the medal the central design is the Capitol of the United States over which from end to end the seals of the thirteen original States form an arch. The seals and the abbreviations of the names of the States they represent are arranged from left to right in the order in which the States ratified the Constitution; namely, Delaware,

Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland, South Carolina, New Hampshire, Virginia, New York, North Carolina, and Rhode Island. Such an interesting design of the seals of the thirteen original States is seldom seen upon numismatic objects. Among the few such objects to display vignettes of groups of States, the \$100 state bank note of the Bank of Augusta, Ga., and the \$10 note of the Bank of West Florida, Appalachicola, Fla., are among the earliest. At the top left-hand corner is the date 1787, the year of the signing of the Constitution; and at the right-hand corner the date 1937 is the 150th anniversary of that event.

The lower half of the reverse displays from left to right Carpenter's Hall, the Great Seal of the United States, and Independence Hall. Carpenter's Hall was the meeting place of the First Continental Congress. The Great Seal of the United States, which contains many symbols of the thirteen original States, is placed upon papers signed by the President. Independence Hall was the meeting place of the Second Continental Congress and was the scene of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, the signing of the Articles of Confederation by eight of the States, and the signing of the Constitution—three fundamental events in United States history.

### Your Money's Worth

By TOD ROPER

*in the Columbus, Ohio, Dispatch.*

Coin collectors of the nation unite in warning the general public that THERE ARE NO RARE COINS in circulation. Recently there has been an increase in advertising in which numismatists profess to be anxious to pay large sums for certain coins. To mention two such offers, certain dealers advertise that they will pay \$50 for a 1913 Liberty head nickel, or \$100 for an 1894 S mint dime. Five or six pieces were struck from the old style nickel bearing the date of 1913, to try out new dies, but these pieces never got into circulation. They went directly into collections. As far as the general public is concerned, the coin does not exist.

Just 24 of the 1894 S dimes were struck, to use up a small residue of silver on hand at the San Francisco mint. It is possible some of them went into circulation at the time, although improbable. However, if one of the dimes did get into circulation, 39 years of use would have worn it so smooth that it would have the appearance of a thin, blank planchet.

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**South African Reminiscences**

Dear Mr. Ross:

I lived in South Africa from 1916 to 1920 inclusive; most of the time in and near Durban. When I arrived there, we had mostly actual gold coin for the half-sovereigns and sovereigns; and the old 1896 Kruger 10-shilling and 1 pound pieces were quite plentiful; most of them apparently little circulated and little worn. They vanished suddenly when gold was called in as a World War finance measure and bank notes substituted. The old Kruger shillings were not at all scarce even up to when I came back home to the U. S.

South African taste runs exactly the reverse of British as to the 3d piece and the copper penny. The 3d piece is liked and preferred to three big pennies. It has a distinctive name in South Africa, as every man, woman, child and Kaffir from the Cape to the Zambezi knows it as a "tickie." While British coin-in-the-slot telephones are made to take three pennies one after the other, South African ones are made to take the tickie just as ours here in the U. S. take the nickel. I remember often feeding eight tickies one after another into the phone slot in a booth in Pietermaritzburg station when calling Durban to tell the lady who is now Mrs. Rich that I'd be down to see her that week-end.

These old Kruger coins, of the South African Republic, included a tickie, which is dern scarce. I did bring back a Kruger "tanner" as they call a sixpence in colloquial talk in South Africa and a "bob" and a "Scotchman". This is a two shilling piece; S. A. popular name for it.

Orange Free State, another lost republic in South Africa, did get ready to issue coins but I've never even heard of any in actual circulation. After I came back, I found in a mixed lot of coins my father turned over to me, two proofs of the Orange Free State penny. I prize those pretty highly.

Some coins have quite a varied assortment on popular names in South Africa. The big penny is, for example, called a *copper* as in England by many, but also a "deeblish" by the Kaffirs (negroes) and a "dub-beltje" by the Dutch speaking people in some parts. This last name is because it's twice the size of the old stivers of Dutch colonial days. The *tickie* is the regular name for the 3d coin, and while it isn't written in a formal letter, it's as good as our *nickel*. A 6d is a tanner, as in England, and that term is rather considered slang; even more so is *bob* for a shilling; and *quid* for a pound is quite definitely not to be used except as a vulgarism. Yet every South African whose name is Robert and has a son is sure to have the kid

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Cordially yours,  
Stephen G. Rich.

### Coin Notes

Frederick A. Newman, prominent stamp and coin dealer of Miami, Fla., has just returned to his office following a month's absence.

Scanning through the recent Ads in HOBBIES you no doubt noticed an interesting item offered by Mr. Newman, that of the British coronation medal, of which there were only 200 issued, and which sold at the London auction at 200 pounds last January. We note also that Mr. Newman offered these rare items below wholesale, which should work to the advantage of the collector.

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Wooden Nickels will be issued at Chattanooga, Tenn., in commemoration of the National Chickamauga Celebration to be held in the Southern city September 16-25.

Issued in eight series the nickel is the "Lookout Mountain Series," and each piece sells for 5c.

## THE BLACKSMITH'S CROWN

By RAYMOND J. WALKER

AMONG the many coins that have received nicknames because of their characteristics or history is the "Blacksmith's Crown" of Ireland, so called because it was a crude imitation of the regular coinage of England. In reality the coin had but the value of a half-crown and was issued by the Confederate Catholics at Limerick on November 15, 1642.

On the obverse of this coin is the king mounted, no trappings on horse, no ground beneath, and the legend: "CAROLVS D : G: MAG.BRIT.FR. ET. HIB. REX." (Charles by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King). On the reverse a harp and arms divide "CR" and the legend reads: "CHRISTO AVSPICE REGNO" (I reign under the auspices of Christ).

The Irish insurrection of 1641 was one of the most terrible events in the history of that unhappy country. It was an event which long perpetuated the hatred between the Irish natives and the English settlers. A series of bitter revenges kept alive the more deadly animosity between Catholics and Protestants. The Irish army, which had been raised by Strafford, had been kept together against the desire of the English Parliament. The king had wished to establish that army in Flanders, to be ready for any service under the king of Spain; but his plan had been prevented by a parliamentary resolution, which afterwards became a law, against "the raising and transporting of forces of horse or foot out of his Majesty's dominions of England or Ireland." This Catholic army was therefore disbanded; and it became a dangerous power in a distracted country. The vigilant rule of Strafford was at an end. There was no resident viceroy. The government was administered by the two lords justices. The Protestant troops in Ireland were few, and

they were scattered. Charles secretly contrived to hold this officially disbanded army of 8,000 together. They were told to rally round their sovereign, and by defending the throne prevent the extirpation of the ancient religion.

A general rising was at length determined upon amongst the Irish chieftains and some of the ancient settlers of the Pale, for the purpose of seizing the castle of Dublin, and proclaiming that they would support the sovereign and all his rights. The plan to attack Dublin castle was betrayed, but Ulster was in open insurrection on October 22, 1641. Sir Phelim O'Neal was at the head of 30,000 men. What was intended to be an insurrection, for the redress of civil wrongs and the removal of religious disabilities, soon became a general massacre of Protestants. Clarendon tells us that about forty or fifty thousand English Protestants were murdered before they suspected themselves to be in any danger. Troops at length arrived from England; and after months of horror the insurrection was quelled. The king could never wholly remove the belief that he had instigated this fearful rising, or had connived at it. The Irish insurgents themselves pretended that they acted under the royal authority.

Hume tells us that Charles did not want the Irish army disbanded for fear that they would become leaders in an insurrection and it was for that reason he wished to send them to Flanders. If Parliament had not prevented the use of these troops in foreign service they would not have been in Ireland to assist in the rebellion of 1641. Hume also credits Roger More with being the chief conspirator in this insurrection, but also credits him with trying to prevent the massacre of women and children.

The insurrection dragged on through 1642 and the enemies of the king in England muddled all efforts to effect a compromise with the Irish leaders as the rebellion was effective propaganda against the sovereign. The murders and cruelties perpetrated by O'Neal and his savage mob were exaggerated. The offer of the Earl of Ormond to put down the rebellion was not accepted and the greedy lord justice Parsons fed the flames of rebellion looking forward to the confiscation of rebel estates for his own enrichment.

A national assembly was convened at Kilkenny. It consisted principally of the Anglo-Irish nobility, and was conducted with all the form and order of a regular parliament. Having first solemnly professed their unshaken allegiance to the king, they renounced the authority of the Irish government administered in Dublin, "by a malignant party, to his highness's great disservice, and in compliance with their confederates, the malignant party in England." They declared that they would maintain the rights and immunities of their national church (the Roman Catholic), as established by the great charter. They professed to accept the common law of England and the statutes of Ireland, so far as they were not contrary to the national religion or the national liberties. They erected provincial councils for the administration of government but allowed an appeal from their decisions to the Supreme Council of the Confederate Catholics of Ireland. Among the generals appointed to conduct the war for independence against the Dublin government were Owen O'Neill in Ulster, who is not to be confused with Phelim who was responsible for the Ulster massacres; Preston in Leinster; Barry in Munster; and Burke in Connaught. The supreme command was offered to the Earl of Clanricarde but he declined. Lord Castlehaven, a peer of England as well as Ireland, had offered his service to the government at the outbreak of the insurrection but was snubbed. He then tried to make peace and was arrested for corresponding with rebels. Finally in disgust he went over to the Confederates and served under Preston in Leinster. The civil war breaking out in England placed the Confederate Catholics in the ranks of the king and the Dublin government became a rebel government. The Earl of Ormond became the royalist commander in Ireland and no further coins were issued by the Confederates.

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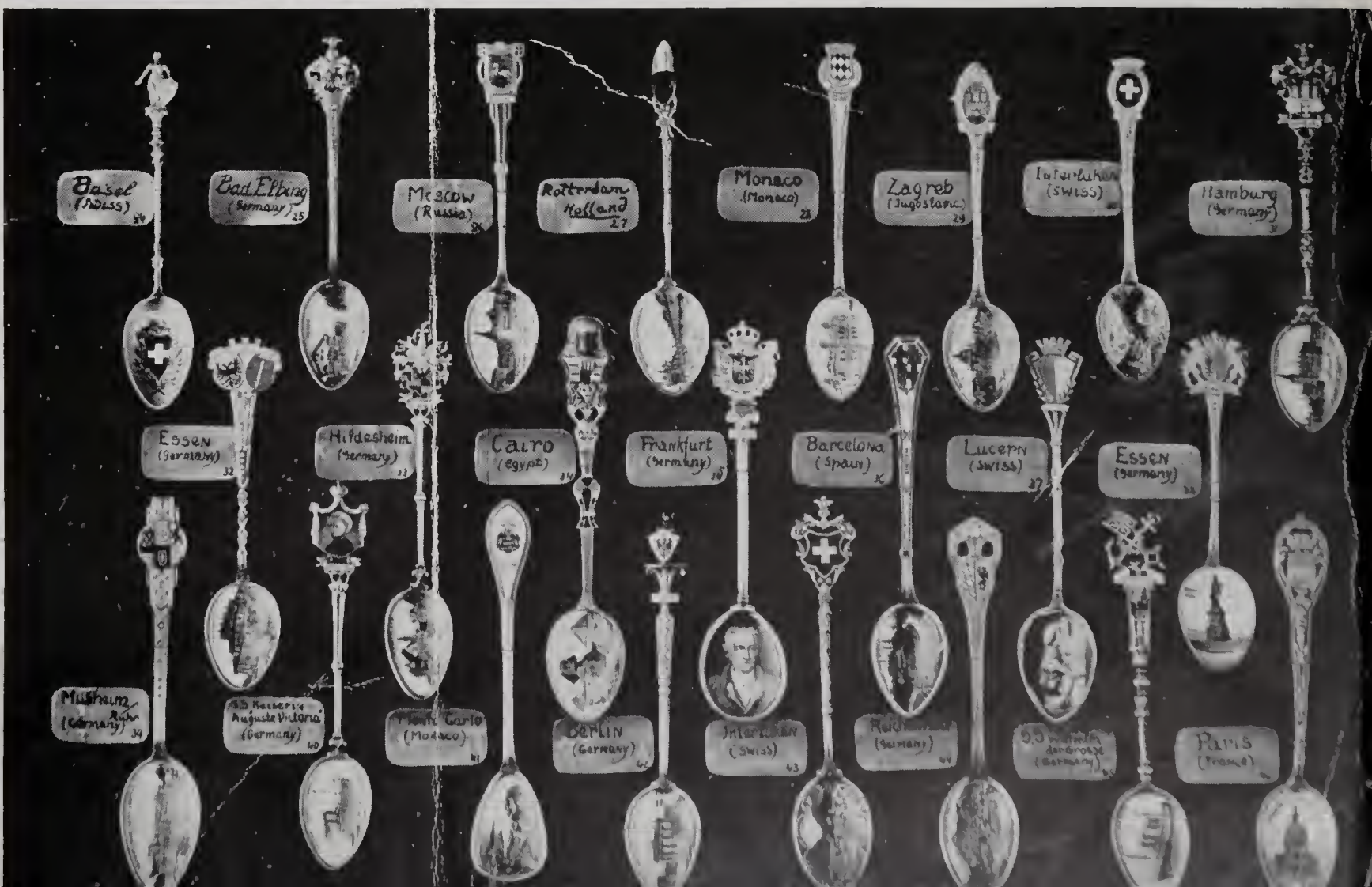
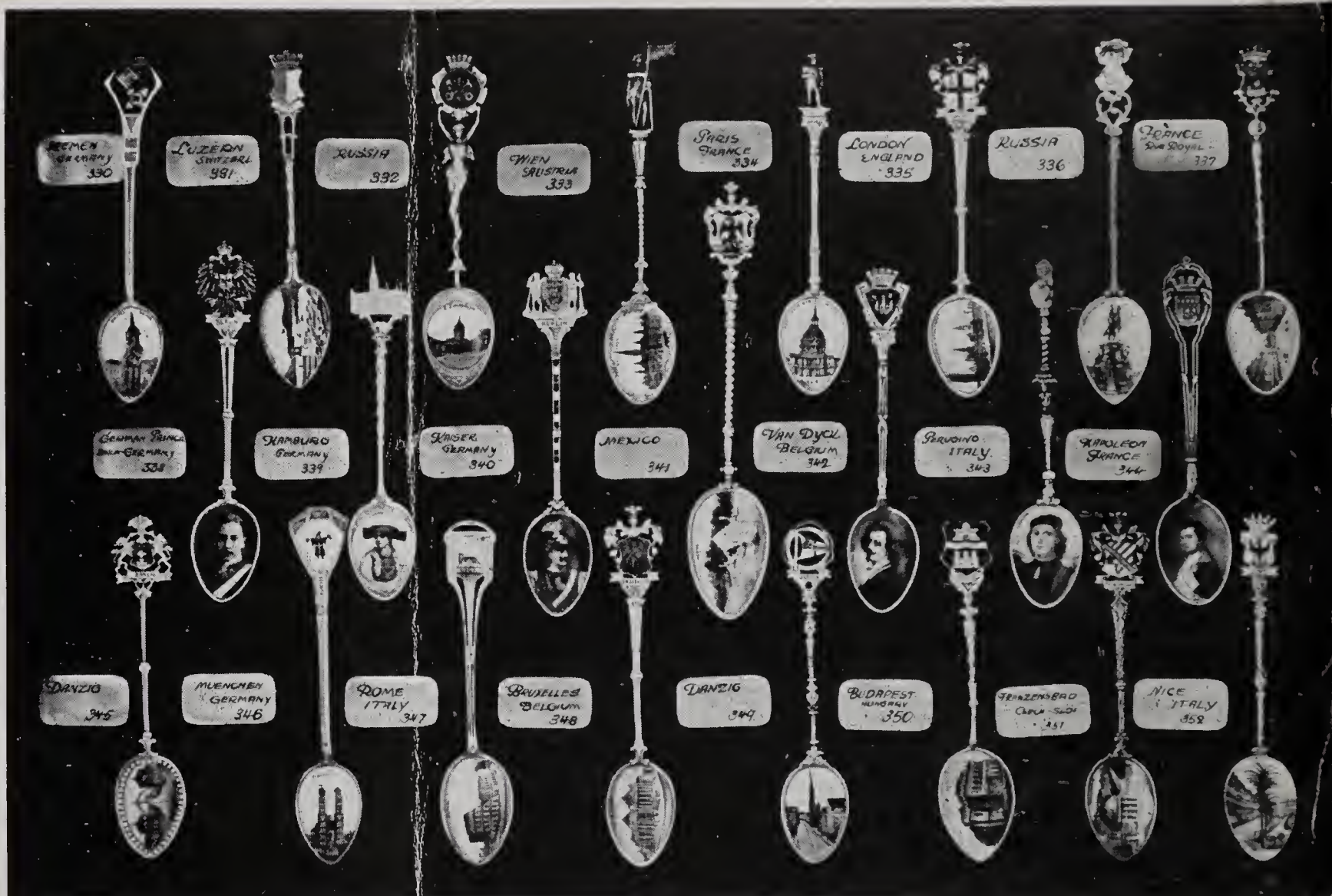
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## NUMISMATIC THOUGHTS

By FRANK C. ROSS

ON coins issued for new rulers of England the head of the new sovereign faces in the opposite direction of his predecessors. Sir James Elliott, President of the New Zealand Numismatic Society, gives the "why" of this odd custom. He said he understands it was well authenticated that the change in the direction of the profile of each King on English coins was due to the fact that Charles II, at the restoration, refused to face the same way as Cromwell, thus establishing a practice which has continued to the present time.

The Oklahoma City boys have taken time out from politics and organized, as I understand, the first coin club in their state, starting with about twenty charter members. If the Oklahomans are as active in numismatics as they are along other progressive lines, the membership of the new club will treble the first year, and the state will treble its number of clubs. Jake B. Sureck is the president of the club.

The Mid-West coin clubs and numismatists are to hold a conference in Chicago next Spring to formulate plans for regimenting the clubs and collectors of the Mississippi Valley for the purpose of increasing numismatic activities in the Midwest territory. Much good is expected from this get-together meeting.

The United States has no monopoly on the coin collecting hobby; it is a world wide institution. The New Zealand Numismatic Society closed the year last May with a membership of 120.

One dollar bills, with their average nine month longevity, comprise more than half of the number of bills in circulation.

You have read about, seen pictures of, or looked at the Franklin cent. On one side of the coin is a sun-dial with the hours shown, a noon sun above it, the date 1787 to the right,

the word Fugio to the left, and the admonition "Mind Your Business" below. Have you ever asked yourself the significance of the word Fugio? It is Latin and has reference to flying; used in connection with the dial it means "Time Flies." The claim that Benjamin Franklin designed this coin has been disputed. The use of "Time flies" and "Mind your business" gives Ben the edge of the argument. They sound like him.

When life's morning turns to evening and we are trekking down the hill, the trip will be more pleasant with some old coins in our till; for coins make good walking sticks to help us on our way, and make our final Sunset the end of a perfect day.

The word DIX on the ten dollar New Orleans bank notes of the 1830's that gave the name Dixie Land to the South is from the French, meaning ten. In most cases people nick-name their money, but this is one instance where money cognomened the people.

A newspaper reports that a negro cabinet maker in Bermuda found 150 coins in an old desk he was repairing, and they were appraised at \$10,000 by an expert. I would like to know the name of the "expert" and see a list of the coins before classifying the finder amongst the newly rich. Too many of these fabulous coin finds turn out to be mirages.

A German III pfenning copper coin, dated 1703, was recently unearthed on a North Dakota farm. It must have been lost by some early settler; or dropped at a camp-site of early pioneers on their trek to the Pacific Coast. The oddity of this coin is that it is a four pfenning piece, whereas most like coins are of one and two pfenning denominations.

"Money makes the mare go." Paul Berdanier tells us this expression is based on an old English anecdote. A farmer objected to loaning his mare to his neighbor, but when he

was offered money, he let the mare go. It means "Money will accomplish wonders."

John Hix tells us that in early Arizona days, due to scarcity of real money, the merchants issued scrip. Many of the natives could not read, so the scrips were denominated with animal pictures. A calf was worth 25 cents, a rooster 50 cents, etc., etc. When some one mentions Animal money to you, do not reply "there is no such animal."

If "patterns" are the rejected designs for coins, what are the designs for paper money called? Designs submitted for paper money are known as Essays.

Many collectors claim they cannot locate coins, complaining others have all the luck. It is not luck but pluck. Those thirsting for a drink of old coins should not expect others to hand it to them on a tray; they are thirsty too. Pump your own water. "The well never goes to the thirsty one."

Speaking of pluck reminds me of a story I heard going something like this:—The school master addressed his pupils: "When you go out into the world, to succeed you must have pluck! pluck! pluck! Your success depends on your pluck." One of the pupils interrupted with: "please sir, will you kindly tell us whom to pluck."

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PART ONE

## "THE EVOLUTION OF COINAGE"

By CHINGWAH LEE

IN a tall pagoda overlooking the four hundred acre site of the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition on San Francisco Bay will be told the story of the Chinese evolution of coinage.

Here in this imposing oriental structure, the architectural keynote of the \$1,200,000 Chinatown concession, the history of the earliest developments of a monetary system will be traced through graphic illustrations and extensive coin collections.

The viewpoint will be entirely Chinese. Through these collections, owned for the most part by Chinese collectors of San Francisco, the Chinese invention of coinage five hundred years before Lydia will be shown. These earliest pieces include pierced coins, rimmed coins, commemorative coins and stackable coins.

In studying the evolution of coinage in China we should note first that elaborate and enduring civilizations were possible without money, and that China on more than one occasion bordered on being a relatively moneyless nation. Imposing civilizations like Egypt and Babylonia managed to get along on a "natural" or moneyless, economy, and the same was true of the Roman fundi, English manors, feudal monasteries, and the agricultural pueblos of the American Southwest.

Such civilizations imposed certain restrictions on their peoples, such as limitation of individual freedom, rigid division of labor, communal sharing of products, etc. They were all based on the idea of an enlarged household, with a strong rule or custom and God or ruler to enforce its functioning. Of course, precious metals were often used in these societies, but chiefly when dealing with the outside world and as bullion. They were weighted during each transaction. Metal or other raw material, when used to facilitate exchange of goods is currency; currency when used according to specific weight standard is money. Money as an individual possession was practically unknown.

Of course, such civilizations were not without their advantages. The wheels of Chinese society ran successfully without money as its axis, but with the custom and regulations of clans. According to such historians as H. G. Wells (Outline of His-

tory) and A. R. Burns (Money and Monetary Policy in Early Times) China was saved from such a financial crisis as that which wrecked the Roman Empire. Instead, wealth in China being real and visible, she was not subject to strains which exist in money countries. The social collapse was never so complete and there were no dark ages. "Considerable areas were able to carry on the art of life without deterioration in cleanliness, decoration, artistic and literary production as we have to record in the West, and no such abandonment of any search for grace and pleasure." China continued to produce beautiful things long after the fall of the Han rule.

### THE BEGINNING OF MONEY

Among money civilizations the rise from bartering to the money stage, assuming that there ever was a pure bartering stage, is a gradual one. Certain objects become recognized mediums of exchange, and these were the first money. The exchange of a hog for a cow is bartering. But suppose the owner of the hog, although already well stocked with knives, should accept a knife for the hog, knowing full well that at any time he can go to market and purchase a

cow or other commodities with the knife, then knives are considered money.

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Certain types of money, such as cows or hogs, were handicapped by their limitations, such as perishability, individuality, etc. However, all are or were in demand at one time or they would not have become money. Apparently useless objects as shells and feathers were valued by some as potent magic charms or as ornaments which added prestige to the owner. Many such moneys are still in use by modern primitives; stone wheels in the Island of Yap, dentalium in Queen Charlotte Island, etc.

Coins were not the first money. Coins are money of intrinsically valuable metal which has been struck with a device, weight deliberately adjusted, and with the mark of responsible authority. Its commodity character is submerged by its currency features, facilitating it as a medium of exchange, a measure, a standard, and a storage. Its growth from money is a rather late development, being

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unknown in early Old Testament time. Abraham's numerous statements concerning "money" (keseph) should be translated as "silver," or to be more exact, as pieces of silver of a given weight in units of shekels.

It is from metal money that we get our first coins. Metal gradually became preferred above all others probably because of its utility and compactness. Gold and silver eventually became the precious metals. At one time they were probably valued chiefly because they were easily fashioned into cowries or other charms which when made, were even more valuable than the originals, being rare and of great lustre. This in turn resulted in their being in demand by craftsmen for other uses, again reinforcing the demand.

In the West the bars, pellets, or ingots of precious metals were stamped with seals, giving their weight. The smaller of these became

coins. As we shall see later, the Chinese coins originated in a totally different manner and from other than precious metals. The earliest known coin in the West is the Lydian coin of the time Gyges (687-652 B. C.) or the time of Candaules, 25 years earlier. It is made of electrum, a natural amalgam of gold and silver. Herodotus stated that "the Lydians were the first of all nations we know of that introduced the art of coining gold and silver." There are some who doubt if the Lydian pieces could be considered as anything more than stamped pellets. The earlier ones are oval in shape, having a bulging

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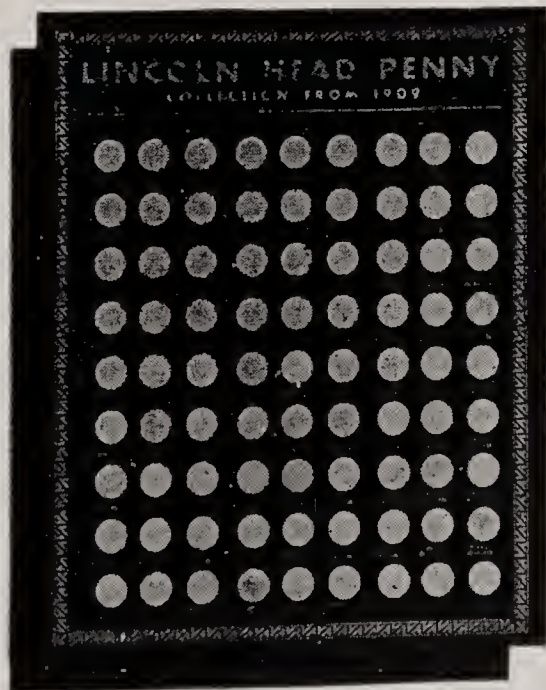
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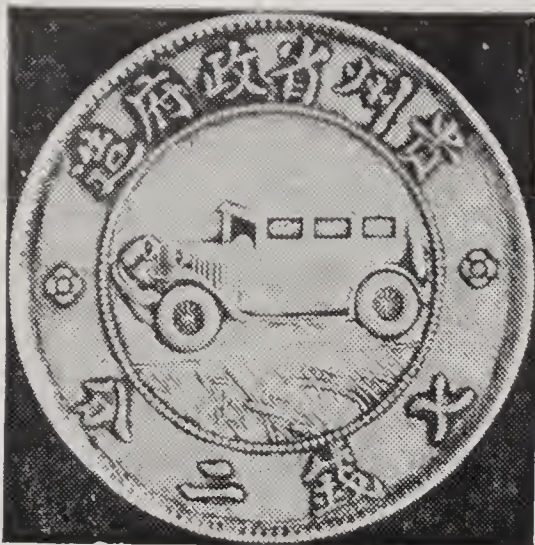
Coinage replaced the Aegean talanton of the Homeric age, a unit of gold expressed in pellets or rings and equaling the value of a cow, the former money of the Greeks. The coins of Syracuse and Bacteria are unrivaled as masterpieces of art. Greek and Roman coins are typically without rimmed borders and are not flat enough to stack. Many were stamped with the likeness of an ox or a tuna fish, denoting former units of value.

The importance of this educational display in stimulating interest in early oriental coinage can hardly be overestimated. Millions of visitors to the \$50,000,000 Pageant of the Pacific are expected to view these collections. Other cultural displays of the two acre China Village will show how closely the development of coinage tied in with the economic and domestic conditions of that time.

(In another issue early Chinese coins)

They're trying to salvage 1½ million dollars in gold from a wrecked ship in the St. Lawrence. Why not declare the scene an annex of Ft. Knox, and just leave it there?—*Kans. City, Mo., Star.*

### China's Automobile Dollar



Courtesy Automobile Facts

This is said to be the only coin in the world picturing an automobile. Collectors and those affiliated with the automobile industry are, of course, most interested outside of China, where the coin has been circulating.

The automobile dollar commemorates a tremendous feat in Chinese inland transportation. The pictured vehicle was transported in 1927 piece by piece by bamboo litter, boat, rail and coolie back into Kweichow prov-

ince. When the vehicle was assembled and placed in operation, the governor, Chow Hsi-cheng, ordered the mint to strike a coin in honor of the occasion.

Today the province of Kweichow is coupled by highways with all adjacent provinces and has come out of its age-long isolation.

### Coin Notes

According to a press report from Providence, R. I., George Carpenter Arnold, 70, descendant of one of the thirteen original proprietors of Rhode Island, died on September 20. Arnold possessed one of the largest collections of American and colonial coins in the United States. He published *Numismatic Guide*. He served four years as historian general of the Sons of the American Revolution.

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The long abandoned mint at Carson City, Nev., bears a "For Rent" sign at this writing. When the mint was abandoned several years ago by the government the building was used as an assay office. During "boom" days, millions of dollars' worth of gold and silver coins were produced at the mint bearing the "C.C." mark.

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The Sesqui-Centennial celebration in Ohio has recently brought forth a souvenir emblem from the city of Gallipolis, famous as the home of the late O. O. McIntyre. Gallipolis was founded by the French two years after the first settlement in the state, at Marietta. Hence the souvenirs are known as Cinq Sous after the French. They have a five cent value and are current exchange in the city and county.

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Metal coins will take the place of paper money of smaller denominations in Nicaragua in accordance with the specifications of the national bank of that country. Reason given—Sanitation.

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Bobby Powers, ten-year old son of an Iowa numismatist, is in bad repute with his father, for spending a 100-year old dime from his father's collection.

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It is said that the new Jefferson nickel will begin to trickle into circulation the first week in November from the Federal Reserve Banks. The new nickel was designed by Felix Schlag, 46-year-old Chicago sculptor who received \$1,000, for the design over 400 other competitors.

No more buffalo nickels will be minted.

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# Recollections of an Old Collector

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## Numismatic Olden Time—

IN 1869 Samuel Breck was writing a Sketch of Continental Paper Money. He wrote also of the condition of New York City, after the great fire, about the time the American Army evacuated the city, and left it to the British for several years. He states that before the close of the year 1775 a census of the inhabitants of New York City was ordered by Congress, for a due apportionment of taxes, and that gold and silver in the Continental treasury was ordered counted and forwarded to the Northern Army under a guard (mustn't have been an enormous amount), and that "Treasurers be empowered to employ a broker to collect gold and silver in exchange for Continental paper money." Trouble followed the very next year, for the people were not all willing to take the paper money, confidence had become weakened and depreciation followed. Not a few counterfeiters were uncovered, some of them publishers of Tory newspapers. These gentry were encouraged to counterfeit Washington's paper money in order to bankrupt the Continental cause. Among later counterfeiters was Hugh Gaine, a Tory printer in New York City. This fellow seemed to have again gained public confidence after the Revolution, as he continued in the printing business, publishing a newspaper. It may have been his types and press that Ethan Allen seized and burned early in the Revolution, by a surprise raid. The Congress afterwards passed a resolution treating "those who refused the Continental notes as public enemies," precluding them "from all trade and intercourse with the inhabitants of the Colonies." Yes, they were still called Colonies. The hope of some settlement with England, without complete independence, was pretty prevalent until after the signing of the Declaration of Independence, on July 4th, 1776.

The great Mickley sale in New York produced, in 1867, some curious price records. Only three Bermuda coins were then known, one sold for \$80. The Lord Baltimore shilling fetched \$21, a poor price as estimated today. The groat, still more rare sold for only \$26. It has records at private sale of around \$300. Elmer Sears sold one for that figure or near it. There in that noted sale was the celebrated Lord Baltimore penny, the only known original. It had come from the cabinet of James Brindley, Esq., of England. It had been already mentioned by several numismatic

writers in both England and America prior to its sale. It was purchased by Mickley at an English sale, at a price very little under 100 pounds, or \$500, in gold, and at that time the price was the largest ever realized for an American coin. It sold for \$370 at the Mickley sale. It is comparable for rarity to a *Lincoln cent in gold*, and I ask, who knows of one in gold, or one in nickel? Well, I had two dated 1909, the very first year of the issue in nickel, tendered to him for auction by an ex-director of the U. S. Mint. These I sold in my old sales for around \$110 apiece. That is a record for a Lincoln cent, isn't it? In the year 1869, Mason offered a 1799 cent, "poor," for "\$2.00," and a "fair 1804 cent for \$1.50," at private sale. Some snaps, eh! In the same list he offers "an eagle cent for \$1.50," just good, another "\$1.75," while a "proof" was offered for "\$2.50," evidently considered a very high price for the time, as one correspondent was bemoaning the fact that as a poor collector he could not afford the rarities at such enormous prices as were being then realized. Said he, "We cannot pay the steep prices many of our coins fetch at our coin sales." If he had taken a thousand dollars then and put it all into the above sorts of coins and held them until today he would have had old age security without being taxed for his weekly wages.

## Records—News

The early sales in Philadelphia and New York included curiosities, gems, paper money, autographs, and even paintings and objects of arts. Haseltine, Mason, Leavitt, Cogan and others held such sales, also Woodward, of Massachusetts, who made long trips annually to New York to hold enormous sales of four and five days, holding them even during the worst of the Civil War. Mason also dabbled in stamps, and knew them fairly well. Steigerwalt started his Coin Journal in 1880. It was of small folio size and well illustrated with cuts. He tells of Edward Cogan's retirement that year from the coin and catalog business, "on account of his advanced age," and adds that Cogan was born in England in 1803, so he was 77 years old at time of his retirement. The writer knew his brother well, who formerly worked for Bangs Merwin & Co., in New York, at their sales, and was an expert keeper of sale records. He could jot down sale prices, with the name of the buyer, and the very moment the last lot was knocked down by the auctioneer, could at once tell the sum total of the entire sale. How

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6	1918	Illinois Centennial	.85
7	1920	Maine Centennial	4.75
8	1920	Pilgrim Tercentenary	1.50
9	1921	Pilgrim Tercentenary, scarce	9.00
10	1921	Missouri Centennial	16.25
11	1921	Missouri Centennial 2x4, rare	28.50
12	1921	Alabama Centennial	5.00
13	1921	Alabama Centennial 2x2, scarce	16.00
14	1922	Grant Memorial	2.50
15	1922	Grant With Star, very rare	75.00
16	1923	Monroe Doctrine Centennial	1.75
17	1924	Huguenot-Walloon Tercentenary	3.00
18	1925	Lexington-Concord Sesq.	1.75
19	1925	Stone Mountain Memorial	.75
20	1925	California Diamond Jubilee	2.75
21	1925	Vancouver Centennial, scarce	8.75
21a	1925	Norse-American, thick	2.25
21b	1925	Norse-American, thin, scarce	5.50
22	1926	Sesquicentennial	1.75
23	1926	Oregon Trail Memorial	1.50
24	1926	Oregon Trail, S-Mint	1.40
25	1927	Vermont Sesquicentennial	3.15
26	1928	Hawaiian Sesquicentennial	12.65
27	1928	Oregon Trail Memorial	4.50
28	1933	Oregon Trail Memorial D-Mint	8.00
29	1934	Oregon Trail D-Mint	4.50
30	1934	Maryland Tercentenary	1.50
31	1934	Texas Centennial	1.35
32	1934	Daniel Boone	3.50
33	1935	Daniel Boone	2.25
33a	1935	Daniel Boone D-Mint	5.00
33b	1935	Daniel Boone S-Mint	5.00
34	1935	Connecticut Tercentenary	3.50
35	1935	Arkansas Centennial	2.50
35a	1935	Arkansas Centennial D-Mint	4.85
35b	1935	Arkansas Centennial S-Mint	4.85
36	1935	Hudson N. Y. Sesq.	8.00
37	1935	San Diego	1.75
38	1935	Old Spanish Trail	5.00
39	1935	Daniel Boone, small 1934	2.50
39a	1935	Boone rare D.S. Mint 1934 (2)	47.50
40	1935	Texas Centennial	2.00
40a	1935	Texas D-Mint	3.00
40b	1935	Texas S-Mint	3.00
41	1936	Arkansas Centennial	3.50
41a	1936	Arkansas D-Mint	5.00
41b	1936	Arkansas S-Mint	5.00
42	1936	Rhode Island Tere.	2.00
42a	1936	Rhode Island D-Mint	2.75
42B	1936	Rhode Island S-Mint	2.75
43	1936	Daniel Boone Bic.	2.00
43a	1936	Daniel Boone D-Mint	5.00
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44	1936	Texas Centennial	2.00
44a	1936	Texas D-Mint	2.00
44B	1936	Texas S-Mint	2.00
45	1936	Oregon Trail	3.00
45a	1936	Oregon Trail S-Mint, scarce	8.00
46	1936	San Diego	2.00
47	1936	Cleveland	1.50
48	1936	Wisconsin	1.75
49	1936	Cincinnati	7.75
49A	1936	Cincinnati D-Mint	7.75
49B	1936	Cincinnati S-Mint	7.75
50	1936	Long Island	1.40
51	1936	York County Maine	2.00
52	1936	Bridgeport	2.50
53	1936	Lynchburg	3.25
54	1936	Elgin	1.65
55	1936	Albany	2.25
56	1936	San Francisco	2.50
57	1936	Columbia	3.65
57a	1936	Columbia D-Mint	3.65
57b	1936	Columbia S-Mint	3.65
58	1936	Arkansas Robinson	1.75
59	1937	Roanoke	1.85
60	1937	Daniel Boone	2.25
60a	1937	Daniel Boone D-Mint, scarce	15.00
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61	1937	Oregon Trail D-Mint	2.75
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67	1937	Antietam	4.65
68	1936	Norfolk	2.25
69	1938	Texas	3.00
69a	1938	Texas D-Mint	3.00
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70	1938	Oregon	3.10
70a	1938	Oregon D-Mint	3.10
70b	1938	Oregon S-Mint	3.10
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many could do it today? Edward Cogan landed at Philadelphia in 1853 and commenced the coin trade in 1856. He removed to Brooklyn in 1865, where he also carried on a coin business until October, 1879. He was then succeeded by a firm called "George Cogan & Co." The George may have been the very person the writer saw making out bills for Merwin in 1910-1915. We read that on February 11 and 2, 1880 "the Chapman Brothers" (i. e. Hudson and Henry) were to offer in New York a very fine collection of coins and medals.

Steigerwalt speaks in this issue of "an uncirculated 1804 cent, which had some red on it." The writer has heard of none other with red. He said it came "from the Reily sale," whatever sale that was.—Steigerwalt solicited ads of competitors for his magazine and collectors, got three inches of printing for 50 cents. Some bargain. Here were some of his advertisers in 1880 (all dead today): G. T. McCombe, Lockport, N. Y.; J. H. Jenkins, Philadelphia; S. K. Harzfeld, Philadelphia; J. A. Pierce, Chicago, Ill.; W. J. McHaffie, Brantford, Ont., Canada; W. Elliot Woodward, Roxbury, Mass.; Wm. K. Miller, Reading, Pa.; O. Schmidt, Hoboken, N. J.

Schmidt offered large cents, good, at \$2.00 per 100 in that issue. There was J. H. Keller, Marshall, Mich.; E. F. Gambs, a stamp and coin dealer in St. Louis, Mo., a name remembered today, also R. W. Mercer, Cincinnati, whom the writer well remembers as an active dealer in curios and coins.

The Chapman sale referred to was of the Bispham collection, and Steigerwalt enumerates prices realized, which were good for that day. More anon as to this man Steigerwalt and his magazine. He was an active influence in coins between 1880 and 1895.



### *State of the Coin Market*

The depression and other influences are changing the state of the coin market rapidly. While there has been a strong accentuating drive for members on the part of the numismatic societies, and while a host of new branch or local societies have come into being, the fact remains there is a dearth of really big collectors such as we had ten to fifteen years ago. The tastes of collecting have followed suit, and this helps to explain the present feverish demand for small United States cents, small U. S. pattern coins, two, three and five cent coins, and so on. The demand for the latter is greater than ever before. The lack of large amounts of cash by many new collectors explains why other important fields of coin collecting are somewhat deserted. Of course this could not readily ex-

plain the rather poor demand for the cheaper grades of ancient coins and smaller sized foreign silver. Many of the latter class are bringing not much over silver value today, melting value, if you will. The demand for gold also is, surprising to relate, at a minimum, though there are signs that the demand is improving a bit and should continue to improve steadily. New records are being made daily, or at the sales, on such proof small cents as did not attract much attention in former years, for dates like 1866, 1867, 1869, 1870 and the like. Some of the mint-marked cents are also selling for handsome prices today. As a note in passing, it was not so many years ago, four or five, that the writer sold Mr. Raymond several hundred 1909 S. Mint Indian head cents for 25 cents each. They did not seem to be in great demand even at that offering. Today the story is different. My offering were gems all of them clean and bright, while many today turn up in worn or spotted condition, or dull in color.

There is still another important phase of the coin market, the effects of which are beginning to appear and will be more strongly marked in the very near future. Generally coin sales have passed unto the hands of several new collectors. They seem to be hustlers. They are indeed getting some important collections, either by consignment or by purchase. Then there is a class of carpet-bag dealers going over the country picking up small or large collections as offered and turning them over to the catalog. In fact some of the catalogers are touring around. The wide advertising of the city dealers and their new fire of enterprise and hustle will bring results to them, and also something else. If they pursue their present pace they are going to flood and swamp the whole American coin market. As it was previously the market had all it could do to take on all the offerings of collections here and thereabout. Now we see collections from Europe, South and Central America coming onto the

market. The local and national markets cannot take on all this stuff. Collectors haven't enough money to absorb it and there is an insufficient number of large collectors. The Wall Street slump of October 23, 1929, put a period to the active collecting of these big fellows who had up to that time been greedily bidding for coins at the great Lawrence sale and others. You aren't going to see the market take on \$7,000 to \$7,900 coins today as it did at the Lawrence sale, held by the writer. Those records are going to stand for a long time to come. Four coins sold for \$22,600 at that sale. Both of the bidders who made the record of \$14,900 for two coins at that sale are dead. Death also removes participants from the coin sale market and plays a heavy role with prices. The writer firmly believes that the type of collectors who formerly supported the big sales are missing today, while taxes are taking away from the more influential men the wherewithal to make such records as were formerly noted. It will be most interesting to watch the priced catalogs to see if the writer's opinion will not be borne out by this effect of enormous offerings of numismatic material at the sales.

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"Gertie gave it to Pete and paid half her debt.

"And Pete handed it back to Milt and paid one-half his debt.

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Total silver .....	\$737,427.55	\$557,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$1,544,427.55	8,411,509
<b>MINOR</b>					
Five-cent nickels .....					
One-cent bronze .....	159,210.00		15,000.00	174,210.00	17,421,000
Total minor .....	\$159,210.00		\$ 15,000.00	\$ 174,210.00	17,421,000
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## Why do Barmaids Dislike Crown Pieces?

To the Editor of the Daily Express.  
(England)

Sir, — Is it true that it is impossible — or almost impossible — to spend a five-shilling piece in a hostelry in or near Fleet-street? If so, why?

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J. B. W.

ANSWER:—A Daily Express staff reporter set out to try to change a five-shilling piece in a Fleet-street or near "pub." yesterday.

He still has the five shilling piece

Reason seems to be a superstition that some one will be "sacked" if a five-shilling piece is taken at a bar.

And the origin of that superstition seems to be that the old crown pieces did not have a milled edge, and crown pieces were therefore easier to counterfeit than coins with milled edges.

When a crown piece IS taken in a bar it is not put into the till, but kept on one side where it can be given in change as soon as possible.—*Daily Express*, 7 Dec. 1937. England.

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Businessman: I had a surprise this morning. I put on another suit, and in one of the pockets found a big roll of bills which I had entirely forgotten.

Pessimist: Were any of them receipted?

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## Hidden Treasure Found in odd Places

Some people choose queer places in which to hide their savings. A woman who bought a pair of hiking boots for \$4 at an auction in Toronto, the other day, found \$5000 in notes hidden inside them. At another auction, in Newcastle, England, gold coins worth \$1400 were discovered in an old mahogany press just before it went to a buyer for a few shillings.

Not long ago a Sheraton bureau changed hands in the Midlands of England for \$100. The dealer took great delight in showing his customer how many secret drawers the bureau contained. Later, the customer found three more drawers; they contained \$2500 in bonds.

At Warrington, Lancashire, in England, an unexpected fortune was revealed by chunks of plaster falling from the ceiling of the Town Hall. The building dated from 1750, but the hoard of coins among the rafters covered a long period back to the Romans. They had evidently been stored there by a collector who distrusted banks, and who died without revealing his secret. — *Boston Post*.

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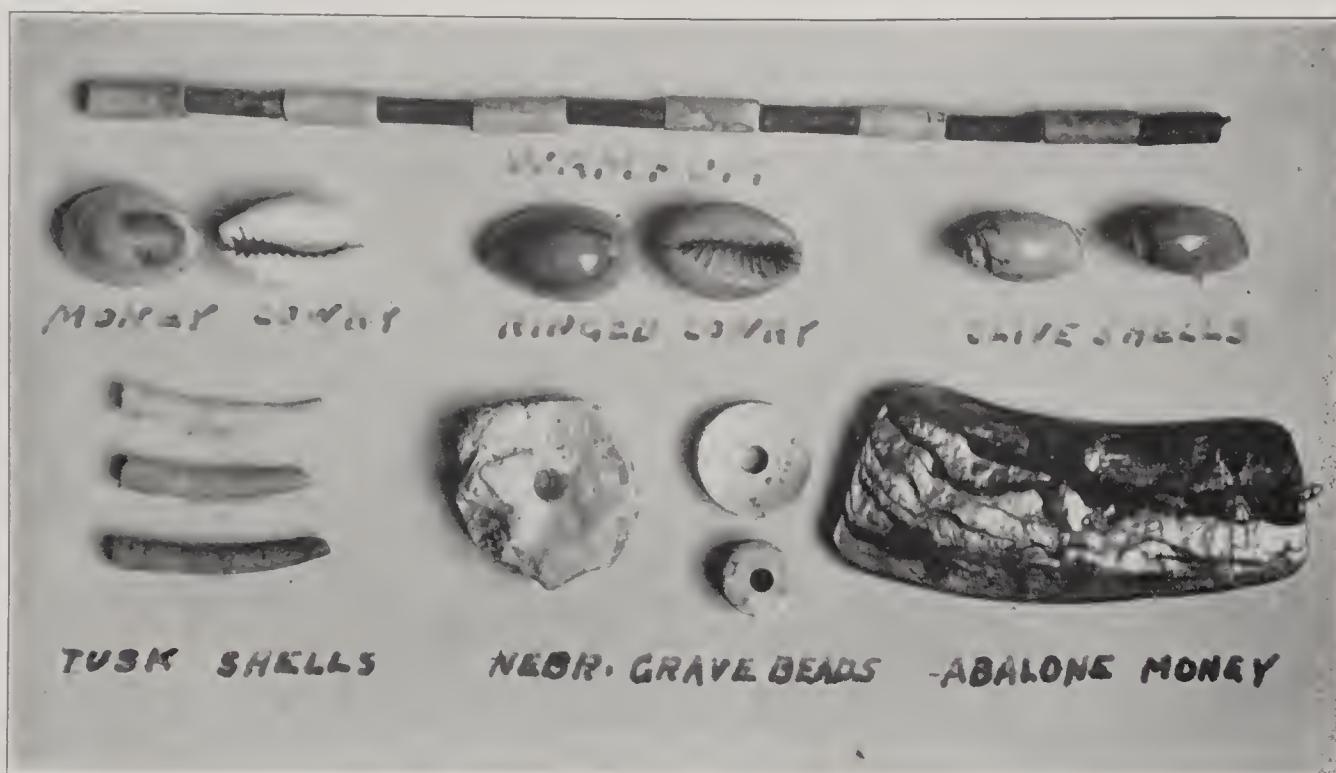
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# SHELL MONEY

By B. J. RICHARDS



Shell money from specimens in Hastings, Nebr., Museum. Specimens about three-fourths actual size.

Photo by B. J. Richards.

An African chieftain could for 100,000 of them purchase the most desirable of the many young wives for sale and if not looking for pulchritude might obtain one for as few as 20,000.

These shells in African trade had a definite value.

- 40 shells one string.
- 50 strings one head.
- 10 heads one bag.

100 shells were equivalent in value to one English penny. The shells had a higher trade value in Africa than in India where it took 4000 to pass for a shilling. Another species of cowrie (*cyproea annulus*) was extensively used by merchants of Hamburg in competition with the British for the west African trade. They obtained most of theirs from Zanzibar.

Shells were also used in America for money especially in the western part. The olive shell (*olivella biplicata*) was used singly and in strings. To string them a hole was made in one end by rubbing off the apex. A great part of their value was due to their ornamental use. Many were buried with their owners.

Another variety of shell used as money and also as jewelry that required no preparation other than stringing was the tusk shell (*dentalium*) found along the western coast of America from Vancouver to Sitka. While requiring little work to prepare they were quite difficult to obtain and possessed a high value in trading. With them, among the Indians, slaves and wives could be bought and by handing over a sizable quantity a

murder could be squared. The whites were not long in becoming aware of their desirability and imported them from the east coast. The eastern shells were a trifle smaller than the western otherwise their was no noticeable difference.

Abalone money required work in preparation. A flat piece measuring about one by two and one half inches was cut out of a shell and a hole drilled near one end. The more beautiful the piece the higher the price. Smaller sized pieces were of less value. While they were of considerable value as a medium of exchange they were chiefly prized as articles of jewelry. The one in the illustration was taken from a California mound.

The Indians were not many years in learning the value of the white man's money and the use of all varieties of shells became less and less until they were only used as jewelry or were hoarded by old men.

In the east, however, the wampum maintained its value for a long time. It was in use by the Indians when the first settlers arrived and as they had little money with them they came to use wampum in all of their transactions.

Musket balls passed for a farthing as did a bead made from shell. Four farthings made a penny and four white beads were of the same value. Sixty pence worth of beads made a fathom the standard unit of value in Massachusetts in 1640. The black or colored wampum was worth twice as much as the white.

No restriction was placed upon its manufacture and any one was privi-

IF YOU were asked to "shell out" you would doubtless know that you were about to pay for something in good hard money. There was a time that such a request could be taken literally and you would have taken from your clothing or from strings about your neck some small hard shells with a glaze like porcelain.

Cowrie shells (*cyproea moneta*) have been found over a large portion of the globe and what could have been more natural that a people in casting about for a medium of exchange should choose these beautiful shells, so plentiful and so readily adaptable for purposes of adornment. They varied somewhat in color and in the Sandwich Islands the yellow ones could only be worn by the ruling classes.

These shells were in great demand in almost all parts of Africa and to fill the need British merchantmen accepted them as money in their East Indian trade and then used them to purchase their African cargoes. Just how many years have passed since these were first used as a medium of exchange is not known but we are reliably informed that as late as the year 1849 three hundred tons were received in Liverpool.

Millions were used in the west African trade and there is no doubt that many a poor negro was kidnapped, lost his liberty and came to America for a greater or lesser number of these shells.



aged to make it. The Indians spent a great deal of labor on their beads and they were rubbed to a fine finish. The Dutch were the first to try to become rich at making them and with their steel tools soon became adept but the finish was lacking and dealers soon discriminated between bad, false and unfinished wampum. The Virginia assembly recognized it as legal tender along with pieces of eight (that were good and of silver). Tribute was exacted from the Indians in wampum, taxes were paid with it and all other transactions up to ten pounds were settled by this medium if the payers so desired. These little beads about one-quarter inch in diam-

eter and scarcely one-half inch long were still extensively used at the beginning of the eighteenth century.

In the central part of the United States shell money took another form. Discs were cut from fresh water clams and a hole drilled in the center. They varied in size and also in finish. A similar bead was made in California and both were widely used.

The users of shell money tried as did many who had great stores of gold to take their wealth with them to the great beyond as is evidenced by the fact that more than thirteen thousand of these beads were found in one Nebraska grave.

## Wood's Irish Coinage

By VERNON VARICK

IN 1724 Lord Carteret was appointed Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. During his administration of this office Ireland was no bed of roses. Among the many real wrongs which Ireland has borne, and the not less numerous imaginary grievances of which she has complained, in her connection with England, there is probably no example of a national ferment so wholly disproportionate to the extent of the injury, as that of Wood's patent for a coinage of copper farthings and half-pence. It cannot be doubted that when a nation is in need of money of the lowest denomination that the extortions practiced on the lower classes of society must be considerable. At the period of the Carteret administration, Ireland was so completely without small change to transact business that laborers were paid with cards bearing the seals of their employers, or their signatures and seals.

In 1722, a patent was granted to William Wood, a proprietor and renter of iron and copper mines in England, to enable him to coin farthings and half-pence for Ireland to the value of 108,000 pounds sterling. There is no doubt that the patentee was to make a profit, for the duchess of Kendal had been bribed to promote the grant of the patent. However, Walpole and his subordinates took every reasonable measure of precaution that the coinage should not become the basis for fraud or excessive gain. Sir Isaac Newton, as Master of the Mint, approved the terms of the contract; and when the coins were in circulation, and it was seen that discontent was being stirred up, an assay was made by the officers of the Mint, and it was declared that in weight and fineness of metal the pieces were satisfactory. The difference in exchange between England and Ireland had been thought a satisfactory reason for a slight diminution in weight of the copper currency for Ireland.

The Irish parliament, moved in some degree by the apparent neglect of this exercise of the royal prerogative, without consulting the Irish Privy Council, voted an address to the king stating that the terms of the patent would occasion a loss to the nation of 150 percent. Walpole was astonished and investigated the matter carefully. He found the assertion was based on a computation that the rough Irish copper was worth twelve-pence a pound, and that a pound of half-pence and farthings coined out of fine copper were to pass for thirty pence. He found that the Royal Mint at London paid 18 pence per pound for prepared copper for the English coinage; that the charge of coinage was 4 pence per pound; and that the duties and allowances upon copper imported into Ireland amounted to 20 percent. The patentee was exonerated of charges of abusing his privilege but it was decided that his output was to be limited to 40,000 pounds sterling in value; and that this money should not be legal tender for a larger sum than fivepence half-penny in one payment.

About the time of Carteret's appointment the Irish money question was getting to be serious business. A letter published under the name of M. B. Drapier, addressed "to the tradesmen, shopkeepers, and country people in general, of the kingdom of Ireland, concerning the Brass Half-pence coined by William Wood, hardwareman," begins: "What I intend now to say to you is, next to your duty to God and the care of your salvation, of the greatest concern to yourselves and your children: your bread and clothing, and every common necessities of life, entirely depend upon it." The writer was none other than the able Dean Swift, and no pen was abler than his to raise a popular clamor. He showed in a very compelling manner that the Irish stood to lose 1100 percent on a sum of 108,000 pounds sterling. Swift's

argument rested upon the most solid basis of political economy such as are advanced in the present day by gold standardists, but like them his premises are utterly false. Against such logic as that based upon "ideal economics" how could simple truth prevail. The Irish went mad about Wood's half-pence. The mischievous Dean not only stirred up the nation with Drapier's Letters, but with songs which were sung in every street. Wood was to be scalded in his own melted copper. He was to be hanged:

"The halfpence are coming, the nation's undoing;  
There's an end of your ploughing,  
and baking, and brewing;  
In short, you must go to rack and ruin."

When Carteret landed in Ireland, he found Irish people in a state of frenzy. He tried what are called strong measures. He offered a reward of 300 pounds sterling for discovering the author of Drapier's Letters. He prosecuted their printer. The grand jury threw out the bill and another praised the printer's patriotism. Walpole restored Ireland to quietness by cancelling Wood's patent. He had the rare wisdom of yielding to popular prejudice, when perseverance was clearly more perilous than concession. With a man like Walpole such a course may be regarded as prudence, with a less skilful administrator it would have been weakness.

Wood now turned his attention to the North American colonies. On the 21st of June, 1738, Wood laid a proposition before the Lords of Trade and Plantations relative to the issuing of paper money and the raising of the coin. He proposed a gold, silver, and copper coinage which should have "America" stamped on the face. The scheme for its distribution, passing, and use in the colonies was elaborate, but unsatisfactory, insomuch that the subject was abandoned.

### So They Say

Proposed design for the new American nickel: an unprimed pump on one side and an overflowing funnel on the other.—*Cincinnati Times-Star*.

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A germ, explains an informative note, can live for 10 years on a dollar bill. Some men, ma says, must think they're married to a germ.—*Boston Post*.

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### CREDIBLE

Native:—"George Washington threw a silver dollar across the Rappahannock while standing right on this spot."

Tourist:—"I can easily believe that. They showed me where he pitched his camp across the Delaware when the British were after him, and it was a lot wider than this."—*Boston Post*.



Allan Sutherland of New Zealand in speaking of Scottish money terms says:—

"Bawbee":—The coin was worth about a penny and the origin of name in doubt, some suggesting it originated from the name of the moneyer, the Laird of Sillebawbye; and others that it originated from the "Bawbee" or baby face of Mary Queen of Scots, who was proclaimed Queen when only a few days old, and whose baby picture appeared on her early coins.

"Bodle":—The term "bodle" was corrupted into the word "boodle", which was a vulgar synonym for money.

"Bonnet piece":—Ducat of gold, issued by James V (1514-1542) was so named because of the flat bonnet worn by him in the coin portrait.

Mr. Sutherland also tells this on the Scots:—"In the days of the Roman occupation when a motley band of Picts and Scots had been captured by the Romans a Captain asked how the Picts could be distinguished from the Scots. A soldier replied, 'That is simple; we just throw them a handful of coins—and the Picts don't get any.'"

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#### NICKELS AND NERVES

Typical of the ever-hurrying hurly-burly of our modern cities and particularly of New York is the example of young men selling four nickels for a quarter outside the Yankee Stadium. Those without nickels in change for subway fares looked at the lines extending from the change-making windows and quickly seized the opportunity of saving themselves a few seconds by giving away 25 cents for 20.

The seconds they saved, even if they extended into minutes, would have made but little difference in the lives of most of them. For no real reason they were in a hurry. It is little wonder that visitors from abroad are invariably amazed by our never-ending "rush." — *Boston Post*.

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Any person could be happy with plenty of money (oh, yes, he could!), but here's the rub: there's no such thing as plenty of money.

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The tram conductor handed back the two-shilling piece to McDonald.

"That coin is no good," he told him, "It's spurious."

"Ridiculous!" he said, examining the coin. "Why, it's dated 1901. Someone would surely have noticed it before this if it were bad."

Give the dates. The condition of coins is of importance, but the date is absolutely necessary to determine premium value. A New Jersey gentleman found a cask of sixty-five rare old gold coins that had been washed ashore, and claimed they were worth \$8,000 from a numismatic standpoint.

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Someone is always kicking. Mis-sourians complained loudly about the pasteboard sales tax tokens, which seemed to be dirtier than metal and doubtless did hold more germs. Now officials at Jefferson City are receiving complaints about the metal tokens. They got off to a bad start

because someone thoughtlessly ruled that the 5-mill token should have a hole in the middle, thus making it possible to punch a hole in the 1-mill piece and pass it for 5 mills. And now the public is objecting that the tokens are too near the size of a quarter and that the metal turns dark.—*Kansas City, Mo., Journal Post*.

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It is never so bad but it might be worse. Don't complain about the weight of the big silver dollar. Be thankful Uncle Sam doesn't hand out Solar discs. A coin the size of a nickel made of star matter would weigh 200 pounds.

## THE PULTENEY GUINEA

By VERNON VARICK

WILLIAM PULTENEY, afterwards Earl of Bath, was remarkable alike for his oratorical talents and his long and consistent opposition to the measures of the great Whig minister, Sir Robert Walpole. On the 11th of February, 1741, a time when party feeling was running high in the British Parliament, Walpole discovered that there was a movement afoot in the House of Commons to impeach him. To this menace the great minister replied with his usual composure and self-complacence, merely requesting a fair and candid hearing, and winding up his speech with the quotation:—

"Nil conscire sibi, nulli pallescere culpae."

With his usual tact, Pulteney immediately rose, and observed, "that the right honorable gentleman's logic and Latin were alike inaccurate, and that Horace, whom he had just misquoted, had written 'nulla pallescere culpa.'" Walpole maintained that his quotation was correct, and a bet was offered. The matter was then referred to Nicholas Hardinge, Clerk of the House, an excellent classical scholar, who decided against Walpole. The Prime Minister accordingly took a guinea from his pocket, and flung it across the house to Pulteney. The latter caught it, and holding it up, exclaimed, "It's the only money I have received from the Treasury for many years, and it shall be the last."

This guinea having been carefully preserved, finally came into the hands of Sir John Murray, by whom it was presented, in 1928, to the British Museum. The following memorandum, in the handwriting of Pulteney, explains why the coin has been preserved: "This guinea I desire may be kept as an heirloom. It was won of Sir Robert Walpole in the House of Commons; he asserting the verse in Horace to be 'nulli pallescere cul-

pae,' whereas I laid the wager of a guinea that it was 'nulla pallescere culpa.' He sent for the book, and, being convinced that he had lost, gave me this guinea. I told him I could take the money without any blush on my side, but believed it was the only money he ever gave in the House where the giver and the receiver ought not equally to blush. This guinea, I hope, will prove to my posterity the use of knowing Latin, and encourage them in their learning.

Pulteney was once approached by a man who claimed that he could open any letter folded in any form, could copy the letter, and make it up again in such a manner, that the writer himself could not tell whether the seal had been touched, or that the letter had been opened. Pulteney tested the man's ability and found that he could do what he claimed in the way of opening letters and forging copies. Instead of employing him, Pulteney told the man, that he regretted that there existed such a dangerous enemy to society; so far from employing him or recommending him, he would punish him if he had it in his power. The forger was soon afterwards employed by the Secretary of State who did not have scruples as to honor and the sacred privacy of seals.

Another anecdote concerning Pulteney that is worth repeating is that which concerns the way he received the plan to turn Pitt out of the ministry, while retaining Fox. Pulteney said it reminded him of a story of the Gunpowder Plot. "The Lord Chamberlain was sent to examine the vaults under the Parliament House, and, returning with his report, said he had found five-and-twenty barrels of gunpowder, that he had removed ten of them, and hoped the other fifteen would do no harm."

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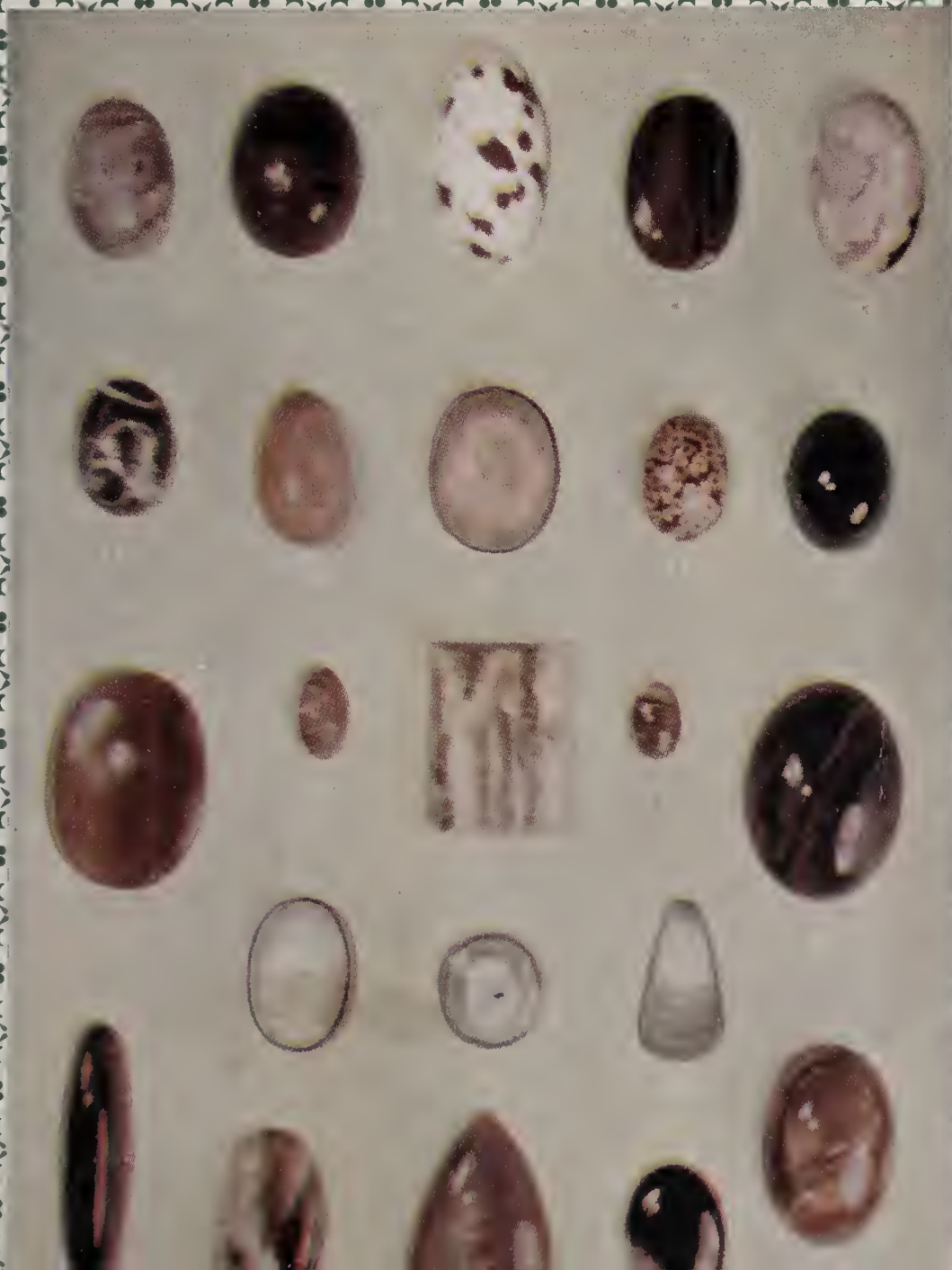
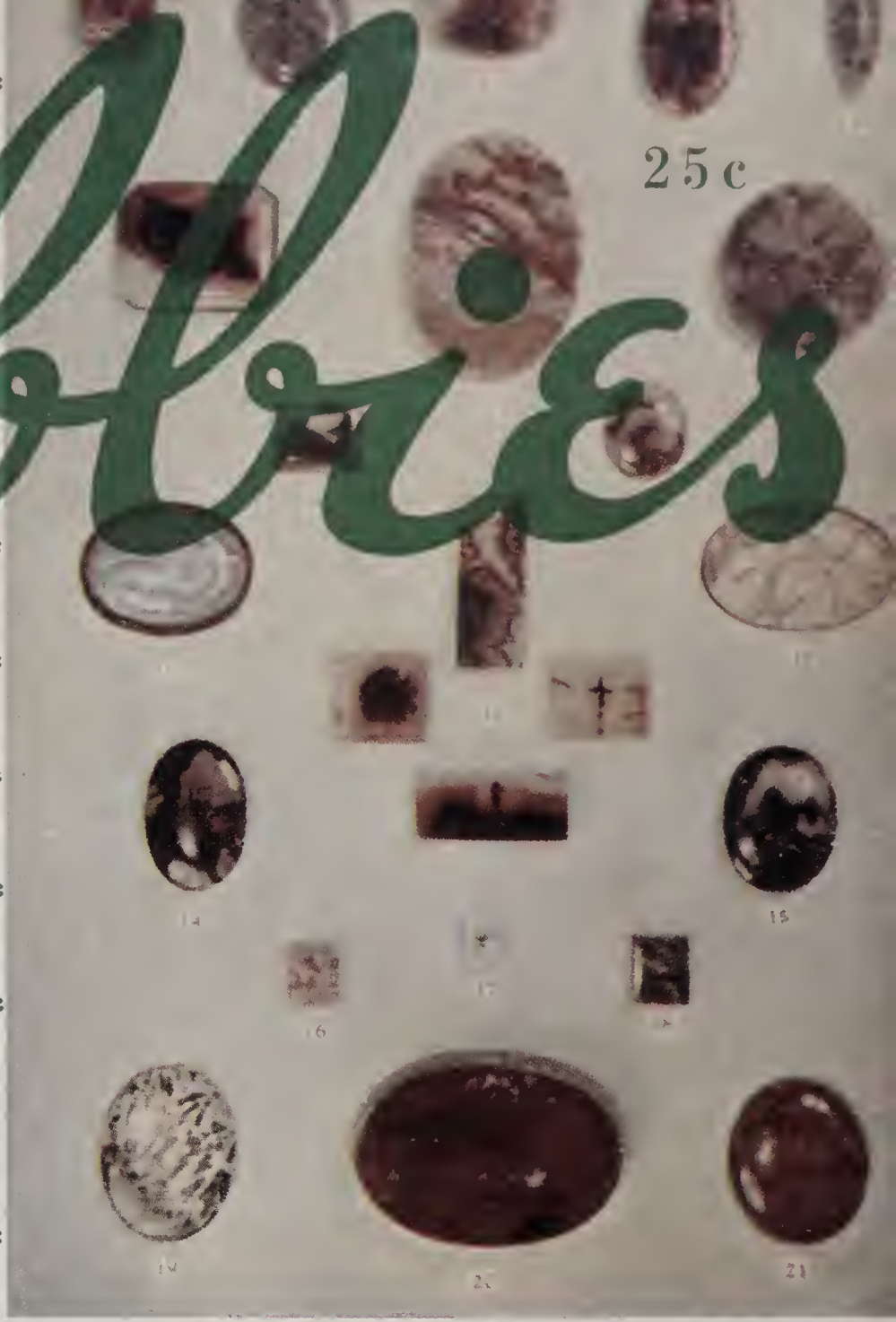
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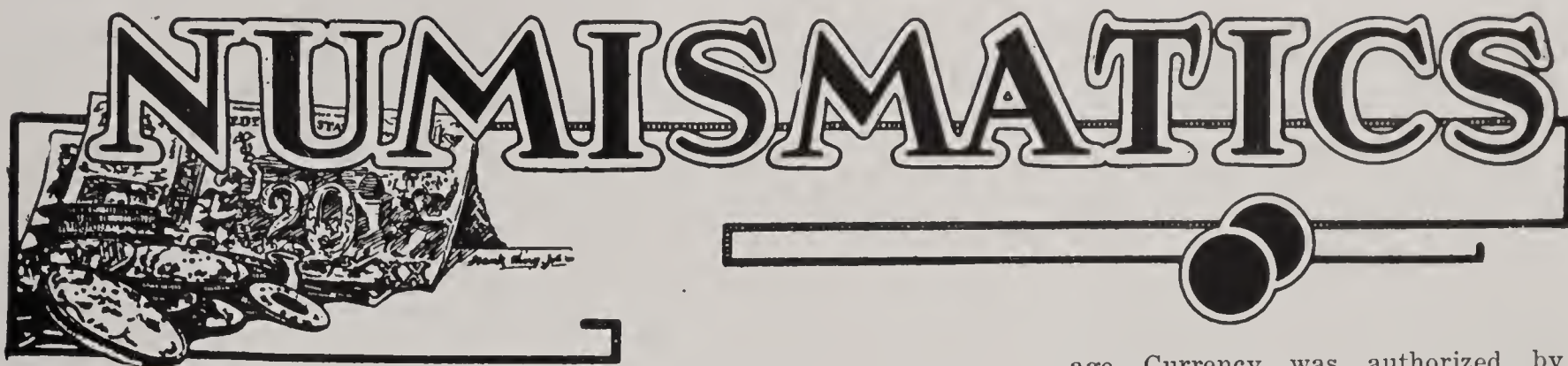
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## NUMISMATIC THOUGHTS

By FRANK C. ROSS

### NUMISMATIZING UNCLE SAM.

With the aid of the W.P.A., if the following report is true, Uncle Sam will out-major all the major collectors. A letter from Iowa says: "I understand a suggestion was made at a council meeting in an Iowa city, the suggestion was made to make as a new Federal Project for W.P.A. workers, a job of looking over all money in banks and large stores with the idea of finding those coins on which there is a premium. The W.P.A. workers, I understand, were to be bonded by the government, then placed at desks in the banks and stores and given the money to look over. Just what is to be done with the coins after they are found I am not sure—whether it has been worked out for the workers to make the extra premium, or whether they are to be sold to coin collectors, or what. Make something of it if you can."

Don't be a pin-head and pin-hole your collection. "Money has wings" but you need not mount coins butterfly fashion. Upon good authority it is said there has been a very large, old, gold coin collection on the market in Philadelphia, but no dealer or collector will touch it, for the reason that each coin has two tiny pin-holes in it. As the owner secured his coins, he had pin-holes drilled in them, and mounted them, bug-like fashion, on pins. This was done years ago when collectors were not so particular about condition of coins.

Coin collecting is not the hobby of a chosen few. You have to "know" coins to be dubbed a numismatist, but you do not have to have a large collection to be a collector. It has always been the object of this column to speak to the collectors as well as the numismatists, for the collectors are the rank and file, and, as Lincoln said, "God must love them, as he made so many of them." Tod Raper has this to say about coin collectors: "Have you a cigar box full of old

coins in the attic? Do you carry a curious foreign coin for a pocket piece? If so, you are automatically classified as a coin collector and,—as the song goes—aren't we all?"

Nu-mis'-ma-tist, accent on second and fourth syllable, is being modernized into Nu-mis-mat'-ist, accent on third syllable only. This is in line with Nu-mis-mat'-ics which is accented on third syllable only. I believe it is an improvement.

The term "Sawbuck" for a ten dollar bill comes from the large "X" that appeared on the early ten dollar notes, the "X" resembling a sawbuck.

The John Hix Scrap Book says "Money grows on trees in North Carolina. Backwoods natives use Galax leaves for legal tender because of their market stability. The leaf money is made into funeral wreaths."

For centuries the Chinese had holes in their coins, strung them, and carried them around their necks for lack of pockets. Then they went modern, plugged the holes, and adopted pockets. They now claim they made a bad trade; that holed coins on a string are better than holed pockets without coins.

Looking for new worlds to conquer, collectors have gone foreign. There is a big demand for Old Country money. Neighborliness should begin at home. Why not start your foreign legion with coins from the land of the Montezumas, our next door neighbor, quaint old Mexico. Mexico is rich in history, folk lore, traditions, and a coined history of the ancient home of the Aztec will prove more interesting than one of the unmet neighbors across the pond. Be neighborly; drop in and have a chat with the family across the Mexican border.

Postage Currency and Fractional Currency are confusing terms. Post-

age Currency was authorized by Congress in July 1862. The printing of these notes was let out to private concerns. The National Bank Note Co. printed one side and the American Bank Note Co. the other side of the notes. Later the National Bank Note Co. printed both sides.

In March 1863 the second issue was authorized, and these notes, to save money, were printed by the government, and the name changed to Fractional Currency.

Some issues of fractional currency notes had seals, large and small, printed on them. Occasionally one of these notes turns up minus a seal. The first thought would be that some one had removed the seal to produce a rarity, but Walter F. Schultz in his List of Fractional Currency says:—"One collector tells us of a 10 cent Meredith in his collection which bears evidence of having had its seal removed skillfully. While such a procedure may be possible, our experience in the printing business indicates that such a task would be a well-nigh impossible one. It may be that two sheets were accidentally fed into the press at one time, the one sheet receiving the ink and impression while the other one received only the impression through the upper sheet and no ink; or the sheet might have been run through the press without ink."

St. Joseph, Mo., the starting point of the old frontier Pony Express, has commemorated this early fast mail and express system with something more substantial than a commemorative coin; it has organized the Pony Express Numismatic Association, making Missouri's fourth coin club. The Club starts off with a large charter-membership, and expects double its membership at the next meeting. The meetings will not be stag affairs with Miss Margaret Young as Secretary, and Miss Senova Preston as Treasurer. Ralph J. Metcalf is President, J. H. Ward, Vice-President, and O. F. Branson, Curator. We predict that Pony Express Numismatic Association will uphold the traditions of the old frontier Pony Express.

A dealer on being asked if he had Lincoln cents replied that if he had Lincoln sense he would not be in the coin business.



## Recollections of an Old Collector

By THOMAS L. ELDER

### *The Lowly Small Cent's Popularity*

THE years 1908 and 1909 saw a small "flurry" in the small cent field. In 1908 for the first time, the Indian head cent bore a tiny S, on the reverse, then the wreath. The coinage was comparatively limited, yet I had good connections at San Francisco banks and was able in that year to pick up new rolls from as little as \$2.50 per 100 coins. At one time we had over 1000 of 1908. In 1909 the second S mint Indian cent was easily obtained. The uncirculated example cost me from 5 to 10c each. They were, in many cases, brilliant red, and I sold them for 25 cents each, and had hundreds. Up until six or eight years ago I still had these 1909 cents by the hundreds and continued to sell them to a New York dealer for 25 cents each. Then came the first S mint Lincoln cents with and without the letters V.D.B. (V. D. Brenner). A firm on Nassau St., many years defunct, sold me hundreds of uncirculated 1909 Lincolns of the S mint at from 5 to 10c each. Nor was the demand good at retail. I had these cents on hand for many years and up until the last four or five years the price never went over 25c per coin. I once had 1500 S mint Lincolns of 1909. I still have 50 of the original hoard of 1909, without the mintmark.

But what a change. Suddenly almost over night collectors commenced to pay more attention to the U. S. mint 1908 and 1909 cents, especially the Indian heads. Now it is hard to get a quotation even on a 1909 S mint cent with Indian head. Grudgingly even, some clever dealers offer one at four or five dollars a coin. The demand has become so great that some dealers do not even list. Thus the rarest of S mint cents collecting tastes change but I predict for the rare small cents will long continue to interest the American collectors. It also shows collectors want what the other fellows want.

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### *Four Hundred Years of Roman History for \$100*

Recently a New York dealer sold a set of small United States cents, including the 1856 eagle for \$125. The set did not include mint marks. It was merely a set of the Philadelphia mint. Four or five coins in this set cost about half of the entire price realized. There was interest in such a set but no history, except the mere fact of the six or eight varieties representing more or less minor changes in the types of the coins offered since 1855.

On the other hand with one hundred dollars any collector may acquire a set of very good Roman silver coins covering a period of some four hundred years, excepting of course maybe half a dozen of the rarer rulers or empresses like Pertinax, Pescennius Niger, Didia Clara and such. But think of what an array of fine portraits this hundred dollar collection would contain and the historical events they would commemorate in such a set running from Caesar and Augustus themselves, and even including Marc Anthony's legionary denarius. Many in such a set would be in magnificent condition, in preservation always a joy to look at. The writer can think of no better investment in a financial way, for come what may, that set of Roman coins would always have an intrinsic value. If the dollar were further devalued the value of the set would enhance to agree with such a value in the years to come. The writer asks if collectors should not seek to acquire such coins, and if not, then, why not? Here is something for the collecting fraternity to think about. Why should

such a set of historical coins, each coin over seventeen hundred years old, go begging in this country for a buyer when collectors do not hesitate to pay \$400 for a silver center cent or \$1,000 for a set of gold stellas.

If you prefer bronze coins, then you could put \$100 into a set of Roman great bronzes and get a nice set for that money, not as many in as fine condition as the silver coins, but still a very good set. Or if you preferred the smaller bronzes of the middle size why you could get a really fine set for \$100 of nearly all the rulers, with a galaxy of portraits with speaking likenesses of the characters who made the history in the ancient days, coins of the dictators, usurpers and tyrants of old, yea, of the philosophers as well. The writer has submitted three alternatives to a set of U.S. Cents, not that he doesn't believe in U.S. Cents, for he does, and has sold some of the finest of them extant and expects to handle them in the future. He merely places before collectors the proposition that there are other attractive things besides small cents to be had for little money today. To the cent fiends, pardon the suggestion! No reflection on them and their collections.

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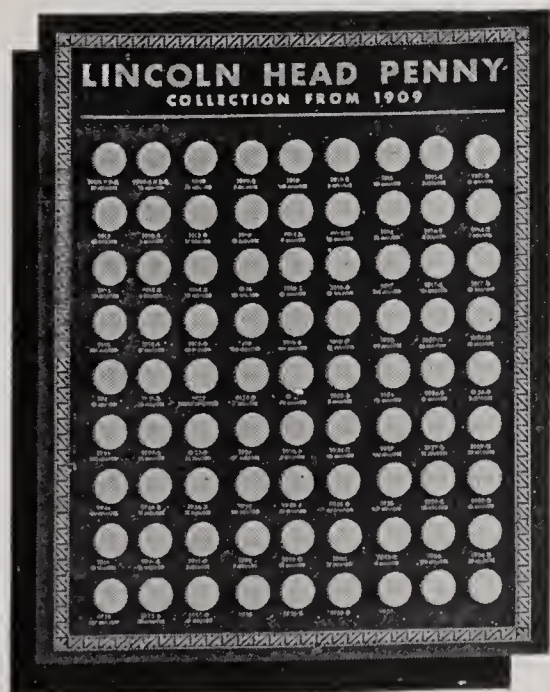
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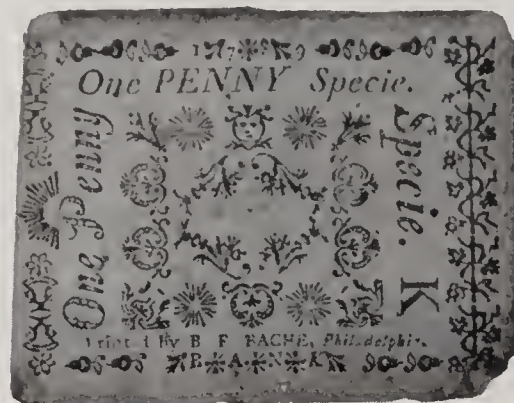
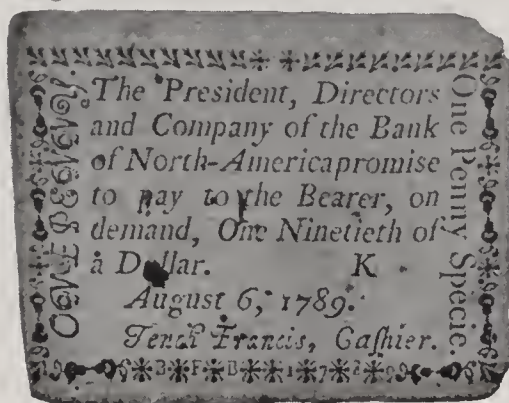


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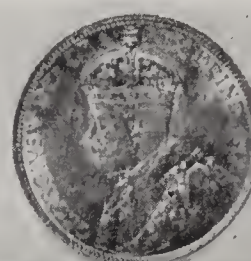
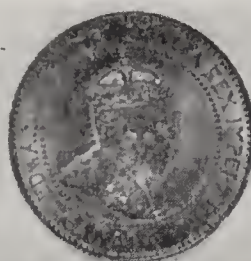
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<b>SILVER</b>					
Half dollars .....	\$ 251.50	.....	\$50,000.00	\$50,251.50	100,503
Quarter dollars .....	150,125.75	\$393,000.00	.....	543,125.75	2,172,503
Dimes .....	50.30	133,000.00	203,700.00	336,750.30	3,367,503
Total silver .....	\$150,427.55	\$526,000.00	\$253,700.00	\$930,127.55	5,640,509
<b>MINOR</b>					
Five-cent nickels .....	148,530.00	.....	15,000.00	163,530.00	16,353,000
One-cent bronze .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total minor .....	148,530.00	.....	15,000.00	163,530.00	16,353,000
Total domestic coinage..	\$298,957.55	\$526,000.00	\$268,700.00	\$1,093,657.55	21,993,509

### Coinage Executed for Foreign Governments

<b>At Philadelphia Mint</b>					
Cuba.....Silver.....	1	Peso .....	2,600,000	pieces	
Venezuela.....Nickel.....	12½	Centimos .....	1,080,000	pieces	
Venezuela.....Nickel.....	5	Centimos .....	6,000,000	pieces	
				9,680,000	pieces

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By D. C. WISMER

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9	1921	Pilgrim Tercentenary, scarce	9.00
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20	1925	California Diamond Jubilee	2.75
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21a	1925	Norse-American, thick	2.25
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22	1926	Sesquicentennial	1.75
23	1926	Oregon Trail Memorial	1.50
24	1926	Oregon Trail, S-Mint	1.40
25	1927	Vermont Sesquicentennial	3.15
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27	1928	Oregon Trail Memorial	4.50
28	1933	Oregon Trail Memorial D-Mint	8.00
29	1934	Oregon Trail D-Mint	4.50
30	1934	Maryland Tercentenary	1.50
31	1934	Texas Centennial	1.35
32	1934	Daniel Boone	3.50
33	1935	Daniel Boone	2.25
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56	1936	San Francisco	2.50
57	1936	Columbia	3.85
57a	1936	Columbia D-Mint	3.65
57b	1936	Columbia S-Mint	3.65
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64	1936	Gettysburg	2.50
65	1937	Arkansas Centennial	4.25
65a	1937	Arkansas D-Mint	5.00
65b	1937	Arkansas S-Mint	5.00
66	1937	Texas	2.50
66a	1937	Texas D-Mint	2.50
66b	1937	Texas S-Mint	2.50
67	1937	Antietam	4.65
68	1936	Norfolk	2.25
69	1938	Texas	3.00
69a	1938	Texas D-Mint	3.00
69b	1938	Texas S-Mint	3.00
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70a	1938	Oregon D-Mint	3.10
70b	1938	Oregon S-Mint	3.10
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